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A MISTAKEN IDENTITY

The Flyer was pounding over the country at the rate of nearly sixty miles an hour, when four men, strangers all, drifted together in the smoker, and, after an informal introduction, engaged in an animated conversation concerning a recent train robbery. Of the four men one was a prosperous looking broker, the second a "drummer," and the third a contractor. The remaining individual might have been anything from a private detective to a cobbler so far as his personal appearance betokened and he did not enlighten them as to his occupation.

All had related a reminiscence in connection with a train hold-up with the single exception of this silent, uncommunicative personage who all evening had maintained the strictest silence. Presently he was requested to tell a story. To the unbounded surprise and gratification of the entire party he readily assented, and communicated the following particulars of a train robbery in which he himself had participated.

I presume you gentlemen are not aware that I was at one time supposed to be the greatest desperado in the West. You are surprised? Well, I must admit that I was rather astonished myself, especially when I found myself under lock and key. However, to my tale.

Twenty years ago this country was vastly different in every respect from conditions existing at the present time. Hold-ups and murders were of almost daily occurrence. It was about that time, early in the summer, that my most intimate friend, Robert Calton, and I, came west with a little capital, intending to invest in mining stock. Calton commenced prospecting near an out-of-the-way village called Brisban, while I found employment both congenial and remunerative in a town about fifty miles distant from Brisban. Being total strangers in the country, Calton and I corresponded regularly. Consequently when one morning I remembered that for three days there had been no word from Calton, I confess I felt rather uneasy.

While waiting for breakfast to be served I picked up a daily paper, and on glancing through its columns a heading "Fatal Mishap" caught my eye. A second glance almost took my breath away for there in black and white was the account of a young mining prospector's accidental death while blasting rock.

Although deceased's name was not known for certain, it was surmised that he was one, Robert Calton, a wealthy stranger from the States. Remains were at the parlors of an undertaking establishment awaiting identification.

I was horrified. Robert was the last person I would have expected to be killed in so sudden and unexpected a manner.

Although no clue, such as papers, were found on the body, there could be no other person than Robert a total stranger in the district, who would

be unknown. We had always been chums, and now he had died a stranger in a strange land. Besides, being younger than I, he had been, after a manner, entrusted to my care.

Realizing my responsibility as poor Robert's only friend, I managed to board a train bound for Brisban just as it was pulling out, and arrived there, wired Robert's father in Chicago, informing him of his son's sad and untimely death. I had forgotten to telegraph before leaving home in the hurry and bustle of a hasty departure.

important point, and would not return until evening. This circumstance was a great inconvenience since I could not communicate with the Caltons and would be compelled to wait until near train time to purchase tickets. To increase my chagrin, I found all the station doors locked, so the only course was to leave my charge on the open platform and await the station agent's coming, and the train was not due till 10 p.m.

I found the afternoon long and dreary. Having no company, I began to ask myself whether I had not acted too impulsively. Should I not have awaited instructions from the Caltons? Perplexed and disconsolate, I sauntered back to the village and spent the afternoon as best I might.

Shortly after dark I returned to the

had unduly wrought upon my nerves. I was almost convinced that my senses had played me false, when a half suppressed gasp, as of one in the last stages of strangulation, from inside the coffin, rendered me so weak between fright and horror that I stood as if rooted to the spot.

But I was not superstitious. Then, like a flash it dawned upon my muddled brain, was it possible that life was not entirely extinct in Robert. There was a remote possibility that he was in a comatose state and was yet with a spark of life in him. In an instant I was frantically tearing with my bare hands at the rough box lid. To my surprise the lid fell off with scarcely any effort, and we had screwed it down firmly. I was in the act of turning round and rushing for assistance and a light, when a gang of armed men rushed in from all directions and in an instant surrounded me.

"Hands up!"

My first impulse was to knock down the nearest man and run. I vaguely remembered a flash, a report, a sharp stinging pain in my shoulder and an awful weight upon my head.

When I opened my eyes and came to my senses I found myself in a small room, as I afterwards learned, the strongest room in the Brisban jail or lock-up. How I came here I could not conceive. I attempted to move, but an awful pain shot through my body and I sank back helpless. After a few moments my senses cleared and I recollected the exciting events of the preceding day or days, for I had not the remotest idea of how long I had lain thus. I felt weak and feverish, so called for water. Fortunately this was soon forthcoming, and it was then I was informed that I was a guest at the expense of the state.

My feelings can better be imagined than described at this intimation. I, Elmer Middleton, actually inside a jail for the first time in my life, it is true. For what crime I was here I could not imagine. I had been causelessly and furiously attacked by a gang of ruffians, and to crown all these outrages, I was imprisoned instead of the perpetrators of a violent assault. My indignation knew no bounds. I peremptorily demanded release. The turnkey informed me, with a sardonic smile, that once outside the jail a mob would deprive the hangman of the pleasure of hanging me.

Before I could give a suitable reply to the insult, a medical practitioner and his assistant entered the cell and proceeded to dress the wound in my shoulder, which occasioned excruciating pain. However, the operation was skillfully performed. No other person was admitted to my cell. I felt so weak and helpless that I did not so much as inquire into the cause of my detention here, or demand the warrant for my arrest, if, indeed, such had been issued.

Presently I was left alone, my only company being a newspaper. At first I felt no ambition to read. Nevertheless any diversion was better than contemplating the prospects of being hung, for I knew not what crime.

The first heading in that newspaper gave me the greatest shock I ever sustained in my lifetime. It read as fol-

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I then repaired to the village, which was situated in a valley nearly a mile from the railway and station house, to make all necessary arrangements for sending the remains of my friend, Robert Calton, to Chicago, where his relatives all resided. Now I have always had a peculiar and unaccountable aversion to viewing the dead. So, when I was shown the remains of poor Robert, his features mutilated beyond recognition, I just took one hurried fearful glance and passed on without a minute examination. By noon all arrangements were completed and the body was then conveyed to the station. The station agent, it seems, had obtained leave of absence for the afternoon, which is readily granted an agent in a small, un-

station. Everything was precisely as I left it. The night was dark and cloudy and the wind wailed disconsolately through the telegraph wires, making weird, awesome music, which increased my loneliness and melancholy.

It was nearing train time, however, so I went to examine my sad charge to see that all was secure. Just as I was about to feel the firmness of the outer rough box lid, a movement, unmistakably from inside the coffin, almost caused my heart to stop beating, and terrified me to such an extent that I was paralyzed for a moment. Still, having always suffered from sensitive nerves, and when I recovered my senses sufficiently to reason, I persuaded myself that the excitement and loneliness

lows, you see I always carry the clipping in my pocketbook as a keepsake:
ATTEMPT TO ROB MAILS.

Milligan, the Notorious Train Robber and Outlaw, at Last in the Toils. Career of the Desperado who for over a Year Evaded the Arm of the Law.

While returning to the X.Y.Z. depot, about dusk yesterday evening, Mr. Mills, station agent at this point, noticed two men dragging a rough box, such as would enclose a coffin, into the shadow. Mr. Mills concluded that the remains of a miner, who had been accidentally killed that morning, were to be shipped. The agent was about to hurry forward when, to his astonishment, one man deliberately reclined in the rough box, while his companion carefully replaced the lid.

Mr. Mills' suspicions were now fully aroused. Fortunately he felt pretty certain he had not been observed, owing to the dusk and a pile of lumber. Mr. Mills rushed back to the village and in a few minutes had mustered a posse of armed men, comprising nearly all the prominent citizens of the burg. Milligan was captured in the very act of conversing with the occupant of the rough box. He offered a desperate resistance and it was with difficulty he was prevented from escaping. Not until severely wounded was he finally overpowered.

The rough box contained "Jay," Milligan's accomplice, who was arrested without serious trouble and is now safe in Brisbane county jail.

"Jay" was armed to the teeth and a 32-cal. revolver was found on Milligan's person.

It is significant that the express car carried \$30,000 in greenbacks yesterday evening.

Until officially confirmed, the general public gave little credence to the report that Milligan was captured, so unexpected was the news. Fortunately several responsible citizens are in a position to state positively that the prisoner is no other than the desperate train and mail robber who for the past year has been a fugitive from justice.

It is intimated that Milligan will be severely dealt with when his trial comes off, and his old companion, "Jay," will undoubtedly be made an example of also. It is reported that they have been connected with all the recent sensational hold-ups which have rendered travel so hazardous during the past year.

Milligan's capture reflects great credit upon Mr. Mills, whose prompt and decisive action make him eligible for the \$1,000 reward offered for the arrest of this desperate criminal.

For the benefit of those of our readers who are not familiar with methods adopted by professional train robbers, we might explain that the foregoing attempt to rob the mail illustrates one of the commonest ways in which an entrance to the mail car is effected.

A rough box, supposed to contain a corpse and coffin, is put on board. In reality an armed man occupies the box. The lid is, of course, secured from inside and when the train is well under way the lid is carefully removed and the first time the expressman raises his head, he looks into the wrong end of a six shooter.

At this point in the narrative I fainted and was in a high fever the remainder of the day. How such a tissue of falsehood ever came to appear in the press was beyond my comprehension. It was all a terrible mistake.

I had been captured instead of Milligan, who probably was in hiding near by all the time. Being a train robber, not the slightest sympathy was shown me. This circumstance, together with the pain in my shoulder, made the time pass very slowly. Moreover I had the aggravation of knowing that Milligan, the real criminal was making good his escape.

Next day the press had additional evidence against me. It read like this: "In response to a telegram, Mr. A. C. Calton, a Chicago business man, arrived in Brisbane to-day, intending to convey the remains of his son, whom he had believed to have been accidentally killed, back home. On stepping off

the train, the first person the sorrowing father met was his son. This singular mistake is closely connected with Milligan's attempt to rob Thursday's express. The telegram received by Mr. A. C. Calton, in Chicago, last Thursday, was headed Brisbane and signed E. Middleton, a friend of Calton's. Of course the telegram is a bogus one. If Mr. Middleton would wire Mr. Calton it would have been from his own home at Elmford. It is intimated that Mr. Middleton has never been west as far as Brisbane.

"The inference is obvious. Seizing the opportunity this unknown miner's death afforded him, Milligan, knowing the intimacy existing between Mr. Middleton and the Calton family, pretended to be Mr. Middleton and identified the miner's body as that of his friend Robert Calton, and then sent the message the better to carry out his pretence of being Mr. Middleton. Mr. Calton returned to Chicago to-day. His son Robert, on learning of the needless sorrow he was causing at home, accompanied his father east on a brief holiday trip."

Although overjoyed to learn that Robert was alive and well and that I had made an absurd mistake in sup-

posing him dead, I was alarmed to note that the Caltons had left. This was serious. I was an absolute stranger here in the west. Although I anticipated no serious trouble in proving my identity when I would regain sufficient strength to speak for any length of time, still my position was far from being enviable, sick, unknown and alone as I was.

The next few days were the most miserable of my life. Racked in mind and body, I filled my brain with needless apprehensions. I at length became so delirious that I was removed to an isolated cell. Thus several days passed.

One morning, while restlessly dozing on my pallet of straw, I was aroused by an uproar outside on the street. Twice a mob had attempted to forcibly take possession of the jail, with the intention of lynching me, but fortunately both attacks had been unsuccessful. I was fearful of another disturbance, and shortly afterwards the jail door slammed open and I could hear the sound of a great commotion, succeeded by the closing of the door again, as the iron bolts were shot into place.

What could it mean? I was not long in suspense. A few moments later a dark sullen man, with tattered cloth-

ing, bloodshot eyes, and dishevelled hair was escorted into my cell and the handcuffs removed from his wrists. Milligan had been captured!

A detective, not so easily deceived as the public, had guessed the situation and hunted out Milligan, despite all that wary sharper's stratagems, with the foregoing result, most gratifying to me, I assure you. Of course I was removed to a hospital.

In half an hour I was cleared of all the charges brought against me and was something of a hero.

All those who had assisted in my capture were now profuse in their apologies for the rough treatment I had received at their hands, and were too ready to make almost any compensation for the indignity I had been subjected to. When the Calton family were apprised of my critical condition, both Robert and his father came from Chicago to nurse me.

However, it was long before I was strong and well again, for, coupled with the effect of the wound in my shoulder, was the shock my nervous system sustained.

During my convalescence I had an opportunity of connecting the chain of events which resulted in my arrest.



MINNEHAHA AND HIAWATHA.

From the wigwam he departed
Leading with him Laughing Water;
Hand in hand they went together,
Through the woodland and the meadow."

While I had been wandering around the village, and when all was quiet at the station, Milligan and his accomplice, "Jay," who was captured with me, had, of course, after their usual fashion, removed the coffin containing the corpse from the outer rough box to an adjacent ditch. Jay, who occupied the box, would have undoubtedly rifled the mails, while Milligan would cover the engineer and fireman.

On my coming, Milligan, no doubt, concealed himself near by.

When I was captured in his place, he, no doubt, considered himself very fortunate indeed.

The corpse which I had believed to be Robert Calton's was afterwards identified as that of a German stranger who was prospecting his recently purchased claim.

I had an opportunity of seeing Milligan shortly before he was hung. By a singular coincidence, I must myself admit, our faces and features closely resembled one another. Considering my likeness to Milligan, the circumstances against me and the tension of excitement public opinion was subjected to, it was by no means surprising that I was placed in such an unpleasant predicament.

So, you see, gentlemen, for a period of four days I was supposed to be the most desperate criminal in the Canadian West.

"Who, am I, anyway? The reason why I did not enlighten you sooner, gentlemen, was that if you knew my profession, something of a restraint would have rested upon this sociable party, and there is nothing I enjoy more than an evening spent in jovial company. I am not a detective. The train is stopping and this is my getting-off place, so before leaving you, permit me to introduce myself as the Rev. Dr. Middleton, of Christ Church, Boston."

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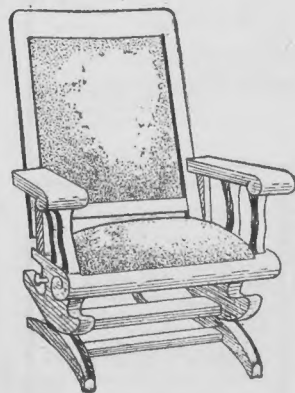
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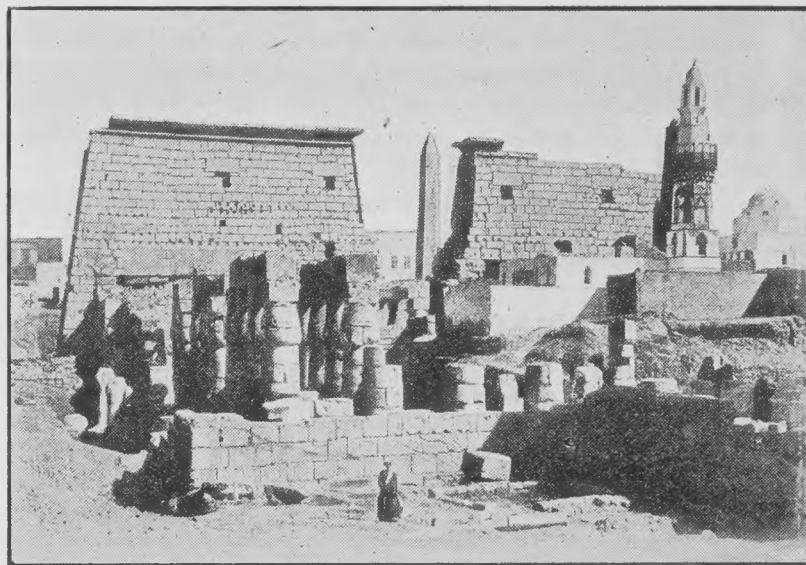
FROM CAIRO TO KARNAK

BY MRS. JULIA A. SYMINGTON

Luxor, 450 miles from Cairo, is a market town of some 2,000 inhabitants. Its Arabic name, El Kusur, it is said, means "the palaces." There are two excellent hotels that are frequented by Nile travellers in Cook's steamers, by invalids who remain during the winter season in the unequalled climate of Luxor, some for scientific purposes, some to say "they had been there." The grounds are spacious and beautifully shaded, and supplied with every comfort for even the transeint tourist. A large trade is carried on in Luxor in antiquities, more or less genuine, and

were not antiquities, and a bronze Osiris said to have been dug out of the ruins of Luxor, 100 feet below the present elevation.

The road from Luxor to Karnak lies over a cultivated plain, sprinkled with scanty remnants of the ancient city. During our stay at Luxor donkeys and guides were provided for visiting and inspecting the chief places of interest. Among these the great Temple of Karnak, with the avenue of sphinxes, the propylea, the court, the great hall, the judgment hall of Osiris, the palace and great temple of Rameses III, the tombs



Ruins of the Grand Temple of Luxor.

extreme caution is necessary in purchasing these, even from vendors of official position and undoubted respectability. We bought two specimens of fly brushes and a souvenir spoon with a fair portrait of Rameses II, which

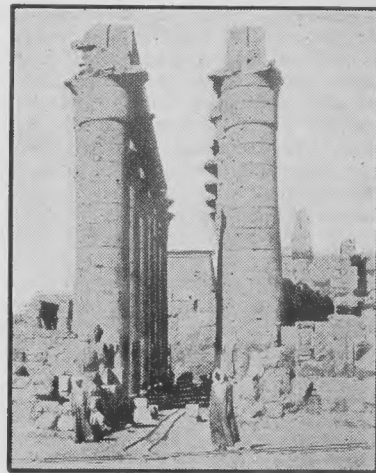
of the kings, etc. Many very amusing incidents occurred during the experiences of the tourists with the donkeys and the Arab boys, the drivers. Many of the ladies had never been on the back of any animal before, and had to be kept on their saddles by the strength of the arms of the driver, who patiently trotted by the side of his little donkey, often carrying an umbrella in one hand to protect the lady from the sun, while the other arm held her securely on the back of the patient little donkey. If the donkey boy gets mulish and his prospect is not promising for good "busksheesh," he, in his innocence, will just gently push the little animal against a stone wall or any obstacle that may be convenient, and the rider will go head foremost for some number of feet. No one was injured badly, but a few got bruises, and the donkey boy for his pay got what Cook & Sons gave them, which would be little enough for their long bare-footed tramp over the hot sands. Poor fellows, their life is hard and no prospect for a brighter future. The donkey is always named McKinley or General Grant or Lincoln, or some popular name for the American. I tried to get my driver to call mine Canada, but they invariably replied, "Ah! Allah! Aa," but could not remember it, and went back to McKinley.

After a short ride there lay Karnak darkening a whole horizon with portals, and pyramids and palaces. We passed under a noble archway and entered a long avenue of sphinxes. All their heads were broken off, but their pedestals remained unmoved since the time of Joseph. It must have been a noble sight in the palmy days of Thebes, that avenue of two hundred enormous statues, terminated by that temple. Yet this is only one of many—at least seven others. We rode through half a mile of sphinxes and then reached the temple, the splendor of which I shall not attempt to describe. The sphinxes faced each other and were about twelve feet long; many of them are destroyed and those that remain are in ruins. A grand portal opened into a vast court, crowded with a perfect forest of the most magnificent columns, 36 feet in circumference, covered with hieroglyphics

and surrounded by capitals, all of different patterns and richly painted. No two of the tourists could agree on the number of these apparently countless columns. Some made them 134, others 160. The central ones measure, it is said, 66 feet in height, exclusive of the pedestals. The temple itself is said to be a mile and three-quarters in circumference, the walls 80 feet high and 25 feet thick at the base. The roof is supported by 164 columns, twelve of which—six on each side—form a central avenue. The columns are round and literally covered with figures of kings, gods and goddesses, and royal cartouches. The lotus and palm-capitals are executed with fine taste and exquisite skill, the workmanship is delicate, and compares favorably with the finest in Greece, while the grandeur of the columns and temple excels every other temple on earth.

Passing through other pylons, the traveller enters a narrow hall open to the sky. Beyond this two obelisks stood, of beautiful granite, one of which is lying in ruins, and the other, which is standing, is over ninety feet high and eight feet square at the base. It stands in a hall the roof of which was supported by 36 square pillars with colossal figures of Osiris. This obelisk was brought from Assouan and erected in seven months by Queen Hatasou. The hieroglyphs came down only part of the way from the top, on one or two sides. Our guide informed us that Thotmes was taking the rule into his own hands and his sister in haste erected it to perpetuate her fame. The purpose of this obelisk is uncertain. It was once gilded with gold at the top. They are found now only at temples dedicated to the sun, and may have been an offering to the sun god. Besides, those cunning kings may have had a supreme desire to perpetuate their deeds of valor in this way, and have the credit also of making offerings to the deity, and thus a double purpose would be accomplished.

Going through another entrance we stood in the sanctuary itself, 120 feet square. In the centre of this area is a granite chamber, 52 feet long and 14



Ruins of the Grand Temple of Luxor.

broad. This is divided into the porch, then the holy place and finally the holy of holies. On two sides of the sanctuary were rows of small rooms for the

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priests. Here everything is plain and primitive; no colossi, no obelisks, no great pillars. The inmost shrine is a room without openings to admit light, and here the image of the god was kept. This is the form in the old temples of Egypt, and I was impressed with the resemblance in structure to the Temple of Jehovah on Mount Moriah; and when the guide would announce these places instinctively I would draw back from entering until I remembered I was in Egypt. The holy of holies is always a chamber without windows in the Egyptian temples. It was the same in the Temple of Jehovah, as is implied in 1 Kings, viii, 12. "He would dwell in thick darkness." Over so many centuries did the wave of Egyptian influence make its power felt in Palestine. The external walls of the Temple of Karnak are covered with battle scenes. On the north side of the main building is represented a battle with Asiatic people. Seti I is driving his chariot furiously over these people who have long beards and whose features show they are foreigners. Some are dead under his feet, others are fleeing, pierced with arrows in the back. The king is leading some by a rope, and on his return offers his captives and his vases of gold and silver to Amon Ra. On the southwest side of the main hall are represented the exploits of Rameses II, and also Shishak who invaded Jerusalem and carried away the treasures of the temple and plundered the palace of the king.

Thus, from a heathen temple in a foreign land, far from Judea, and by the voice of a strange language deciphered only during this century, God is bringing to light evidence to verify the Bible, sufficient to silence the skepticism of this age. Of course it would be impossible to pretend really to catalogue all the curiosities and marvels of Karnak. All that can be done by the rapid tourist is to get correct general impressions and fill in the details at leisure. From the desert or the river, from within or from without, by sunshine or by moonlight, however you look at Karnak, it is the very aspect in which it shows to most advantage. And when this was all perfect, when its avenues opened in vistas upon the noble temples and palaces of Sesostri, and when its courts were paced by gorgeous priestly pageants, and busy life swarmed on a river flowing between banks of palaces, I was reminded of scenes in Venice but magnified many fold. When all this was in its prime no wonder its fame reached over the world. For many days after I had seen it, and even yet after a severe illness and during the delirium, glimpses of these ruins mingle with my thoughts and blend with my dreams and I wander again through those forests of pillars, obelisks and shrines as if that vision had left its impress upon my brain forever, sick or well. Those ruins seem to have seen the whole portion of time of which history keeps the reckoning. They have seen kingdoms rise and fall—Babylonian, the Jew, Persian, Greek and the Roman. They seem as though they might stand to tell their tale to those who will hereafter call us ancients. Still they are perishing for the Nile will surely destroy their foundations. The poor and the maimed of Luxor make their abode in some of those kingly halls. The bats fly about in scores and wild beasts rendezvous in the famous hall of columns. These grand temples and palaces which were built for eternity are silently going to ruin, even in the dry atmosphere of Egypt. The valleys are perforated by royal houses of the dead; some of the kings had reigned before Abraham had entered the delta. Later on our journey back to Cairo we were entertained some days with these different cemeteries.

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Light Music Must Be Good.

All good music may not be popular, but all popular music must be good. By that I mean any music that can catch the popular fancy and hold its popularity must have those inherent qualities that constitute good music. It is not necessary that an audience shall leave a place of amusement after hearing music for the first time and whistle it for it to be really popular. In fact, music that can be so easily retained in the memory rarely has the real elements of popularity. As a rule it is as easily forgotten as it was picked up. As an instance of the most popular music, such as "The Bohemian Girl," "The Mikado," etc., music that will be played as long as there are people to listen to it, as long as there are people with ears, is not of the whistling kind. A person hearing either of these operas for the first time would be carried away with the music, but very few would be able to whistle any of it, until it had been heard several times.

The vast majority, as against the select few, that gives to any music the stamp of popularity, as a rule prefer light music, but it is quite as necessary that it be good music, as the most profound oratorio ever written. This, I think, is a point that

many of the best American composers overlook. They seem to think that only the classical is worth while; many of them even go so far as to think the writing of light music degrading and that no one is entitled to be called a composer unless he writes masses, oratorios, fugues, etc. Such music can never become popular, because it appeals to a limited number of people only, and can do no real good in the world, and, after all, that is the true mission of music, and all art, in fact, to uplift and enlighten the world. I believe that good music has an ennobling effect, and, therefore, should be of the kind that will reach the great mass of humanity. Popular music, music that reaches the greatest number of people, must do the greatest good.

All the famous composers of the past, with the possible exception of Wagner, have at times written light music, most of which has become popular. The music of "The Mikado," from the first note in the overture to the last in the finale, is good music, and yet no more popular opera was ever written, and it is all light music. There certainly can be nothing degrading in that kind of music.

I wish some of the good composers would come into this field. That would exclude a certain class of composers, who have never studied and who only have a few jingles in their brain. They only have their chance because the good ones do not think it would comport with their dignity to write light music.—Victor Herbert.



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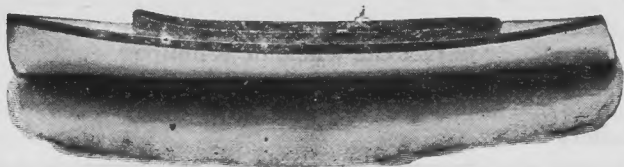
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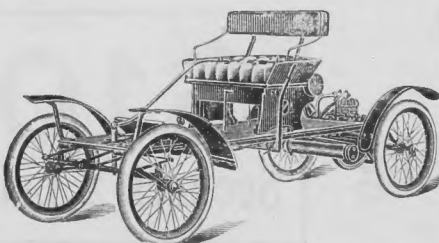
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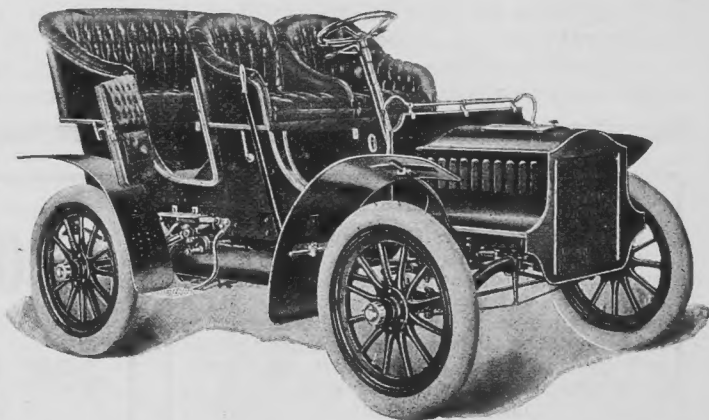
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TENTING IN WINTER

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Special Correspondence of
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[On a recent visit of a representative of The Western Home Monthly to Edmonton, he found the Dominion Exploration Party about ready to start on their journey north. Arrangements were made with one of the party for notes of the trip. A camera was procured and given the gentleman, he agreeing to take views on the way and forward the films. The first letter and views are to hand, and they are given below. The party spent Christmas on the banks of the Athabasca river. Since receipt of the article, a short note is to hand from the correspondent dated Lesser Slave Lake, January 6th. He reports having taken quite a number of photos which will be forwarded to us, along with his notes, from the Post at the head of the lake, by next mail. The party will be away some two years and will make full exploration of the great country in the far north. When he last wrote all were well and in good spirits.—Ed. W.H.M.]

Our party left Edmonton Saturday afternoon, December 17th, and on ac-

in the early days. He was a garrulous old man, and roughened by years of "toughing it" on the prairie, but his stories were entertaining and in-



STURGEON RIVER CAMP.

The photo for this was badly blurred, but it gives an idea of how the Exploration Party camps en route.

structive, and his personality novel and pleasing, for he is one of the old-timers, who followed the various waves of emigration all over the Western States and Canada, to California in '49, and to Oregon and British Columbia later, and then away to the vast prairies of Alberta, finally to settle down in a little, out-of-the-way nook in the hills, there to dream away the remainder of his days at peace with all the world.

We travelled most of the next days on the ice, following up a chain of small lakes known as the Half-Way Lakes. Shortly after noon we left the ice, and, following an old trail, came to what is called the "Stony Creek." This creek, like all the creeks and rivers in this part of the country, had high, steep banks with hills on each side. We had a quick ride down, but a long, slow, tedious, heavy pull up on the other side. Six miles further on we halted for the night at Two Creeks stopping place. This "hotel" was kept by a bachelor, and consisted of a one-room shack, constructed of logs and thatched with sod. We had to do a lot of house-cleaning before we could lay our beds; the proprietor was too busy tending to his cattle to bother with a detail of this kind. We were not sorry when early the next morning we pulled out and left the bachelor to batch to his heart's content amidst the accumulated dirt of years.

We stopped the next night at "The foot of the Big Hill," ten miles from "the Landing," and on Saturday evening (Christmas Eve) we arrived at the end of the first stage of our journey—Athabasca Landing.

Here there are three small general stores, a hotel or stopping-place (for there are no licenses granted north of the Alberta boundary), a church, several large warehouses, and an Anglican mission church.

The town is situated on the Athabasca River, a fine stream of very considerable size, and from here the Hudson's Bay Co. start out large transports of freight for the north. In fact, this place is the distributing point from which radiate all the various trails and waterways that give access to that vast and almost unknown territory lying north and west.

Here we catch a glimpse of the various means of transportation utilized by the people of the north. At present, large numbers of freighters, with teams and sleighs, are leaving for the north with provisions and stores of all kinds, while yelping trains of dogs are also to be seen coming and going, bringing in the Indian with his furs to trade, and going out loaded with the few simple purchases required by the primitive life of the man running so tirelessly behind.

Hudson's Bay Post. Leaving Lesser Slave we shall travel across a portage of eighty miles to Peace River Crossing, and from there to Dunvegan, which place is 340 miles from Athabasca Landing. We will then push on to Fort St. John, in the foothills of the Rockies, where we shall take up our quarters for the winter.

Philosophy.

Let the heart sing while the hand and head work, and your success will be sweeter.

Good friendship is like good business—the kind that develops slowly is the kind that lasts.

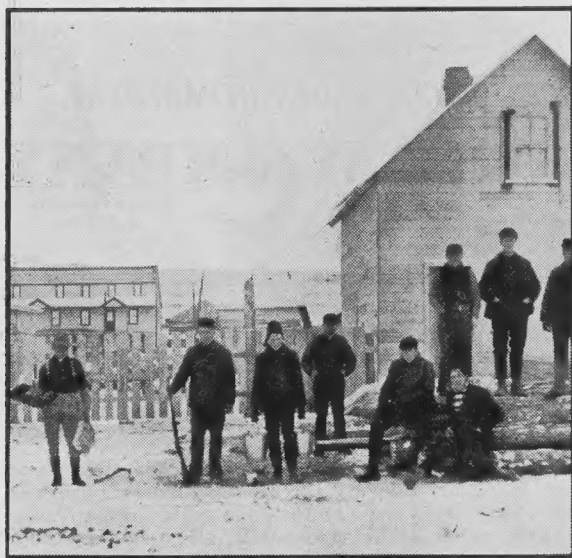
Life is a pendulum. Motion means joy and sorrow. Quietude means stagnation, rust and decay.

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READY FOR A START.

This cut shows the Exploration Party at Athabasca Landing looking and feeling well in front of their quarters there.

count of our late start we made but a short day's trip to a comfortable little roadside stopping place called the Half Way Hotel. Here everything was neat and clean and warm and the boys were inclined to laugh at the stories they had heard of the hardships they would have to endure.

The next morning we proceeded to Sturgeon River, where our advance camp was established. Here we found the men who had gone ahead camped on a beautiful little river, flowing between steep, hilly banks clothed with spruce and pine, and making a delightful change of scenery from the swampy prairie which was our landscape from Edmonton to that place. As this was our first camp, we had a photograph of it taken, as winter tenting was a decided novelty to most of us.

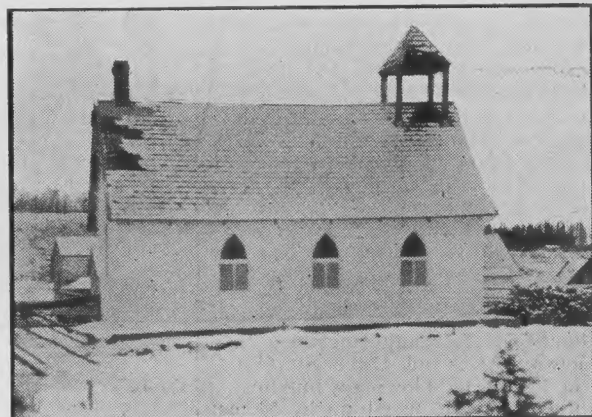
Bright and early the next morning we crossed the Sturgeon and continued on our course to the north. On account of the extra camp equipment picked up at the Sturgeon, it was necessary to hitch up a couple of our spare cayuses in toboggans. These novel steeds were given into the care of two of the younger members of the party and they found great sport in driving them for a few days till the weather turned very cold and the novelty wore off.

That evening we camped at Deep Creek, at a stopping-place kept by an old pioneer named Grant. This old man amused us all the evening, as we sat around, with stories of frontier life

Hauled up on the bank of the river is to be seen a large fleet of York boats. The freighters, in the summer,

become boatmen, and the boats take the place of the sleighs. At this point the Hudson's Bay Co. have just completed building quite a large river steamer, and she is appropriately christened the "Midnight Sun." A boat of this type will be a great convenience here, as it will afford towage to the York boats and quicker and easier method of travel to those who seek an entrance to the unknown regions that lie beyond the rim of the northern horizon.

In the course of the next few days our party will leave for Lesser Slave Lake. Our route will take us up the Athabasca River to the Slave River, and then we shall follow that stream to the lake, and skirt the shores of the lake to its northern end, where there is quite a large settlement and a



THE CATHEDRAL.

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ness. Indolence, shiftlessness, dishonesty, suspicion, malice, makes life miserable.

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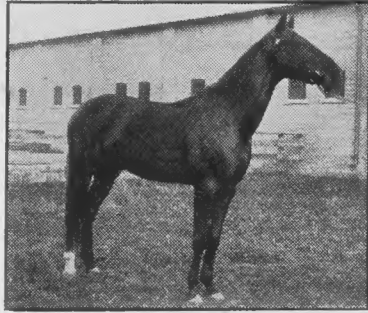
The question was fully discussed and carefully considered by the brothers, with the result that about three years ago they decided to erect a magnificent racing stable in the spring.

During the fall of 1902 Adam Brown took an extensive trip through the south-eastern states on a purchasing tour, and bought some thirty head of horses, which were shipped to the Portage about Christmas, and this splendid string of horses, with the famous Chestnut at their head, were quartered in the newly-completed stables and became the admiration of all who saw them, and the talk of western horsemen.

Everyone interested in horses throughout Manitoba and the Territories has heard of the palatial stables, and so with the idea of describing them in a comprehensive manner to the many readers of The Western Home Monthly, I went to see the stables, and write down my impressions of what I saw.

The stables are situated at the rear of the Stock Exchange, between Saskatchewan Ave. and Duke St. (Portage la Prairie). The main building is of solid brick, 215 feet long by 50 feet wide, and cost over \$14,000 as it stands to-day. It has a splendid appearance from the outside and the roof is covered with galvanized iron and the inside ceiling is also of this metal, with heavily soldered joints. I entered the stables by walking through the Stock Exchange, and passing into the stable proper through heavy doors of oak and plate glass, found the genial trainer, "Dunc" Bell working away industriously with some racing harness. Telling him my mission, he at once undertook to show me around the stables, so off we started down the

cement-floored passage way, 22 feet wide, running the entire length of the building. On each side are rows of stalls, thirty in all, each 12 feet square.

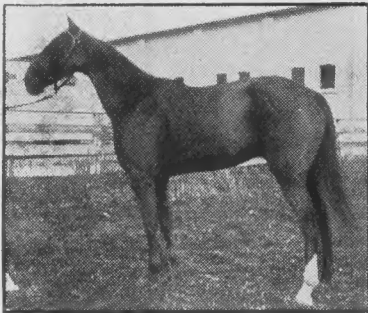


ROYAL BARON.

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These box stalls have walls of fancy stained oak and birch with adjustable steel tops. Each stall has a door with a brass double lock, and, on the top of the iron door pillars are two gilded horses' heads.

As I looked into the fresh, clean



CHESTNUT.

2.07½, Canada's greatest free-for-all horse.

stalls and did not notice any of the horsey smell generally so noticeable in stables, I asked Mr. Bell how such freedom from disagreeable odors was obtained, and he showed me the perfect system of ventilation throughout, and the air shaft in each stall. He also explained the drainage system of each stall. There is one and a half feet of sand and gravel, then four rows of tiles running the length of the building, with a centre drain in each stall and a half foot of clay over all. This splendid drainage system adds

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greatly to the sanitary condition of the stables.

I looked for the old-fashioned mangers, but saw none, as the hay is fed on the floor. An iron oat box and a salt brick are placed in each stall and a system of waterworks gives an ample supply of water, as there are faucets at every other stall door. Beside each stall door is a towel roller, coat rack and tie straps.

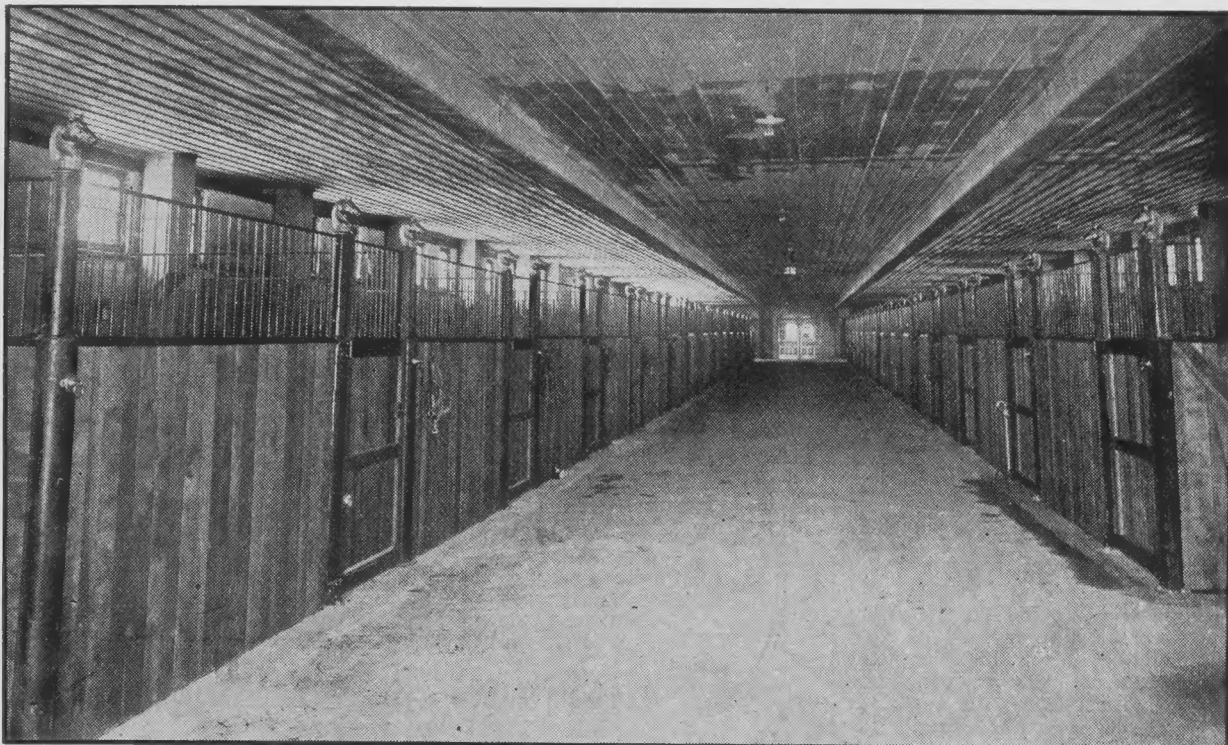
A warm, even temperature is obtained in the very cold weather by a system of hot water pipes, connected with each part of the stable.

The interior of the building presents a bright appearance, as it is gayly decorated with green and white bunting (the stable's colors being green

and white), and with fancy flags, and is particularly inviting at night when the numerous electric lights are turned on. At each end of the building is a space twenty feet long by fifty feet wide, one space being taken up with a large hot water tank, used for washing off the horses after exercise, and a large odorless steam grain cooker. The space at the other end is occupied by harness and boot cabinets, with glass fronts, and grain chests.

Then as I looked around upon the handsome horses resting comfortably in their luxurious stalls, I felt that I could not let the opportunity pass without saying something about them. First of all, of course, comes Chestnut, 2.07½, by Glen Arm Jr., by Glen Arm, by Hamiltonian 10, dam by Rescue, by Hanover, the beautiful, sleek-coated chestnut horse that is so familiar to the public who have attended the race meetings for the last two years in Manitoba. This champion Canadian pacer has gone a mile in 2.05 on a mile track, and can go even better. He won the Free-for-All at Winnipeg in 1903, and really broke the record in 1904 by forcing the pace, although he did not win the race. After the Winnipeg races, he was shipped to the States and entered on the grand circuit, where he was raced in seven free-for-alls, winning five firsts, and he lowered the track record at several places. He was raced at Johnstown, Pa., Salem, Ohio, Marsdale and Rockport, Ohio, and on the Valley track at Cleveland. Chestnut is now wintering at home in better condition than ever, under the personal care of Dunc Bell, who enthusiastically states that Chestnut's speed will surprise people next year, and is sure of a great future for him, as Chestnut is only eight years old. He may not be seen much on Manitoba tracks next summer but he will be in the grand circuit and will endeavor to lower his record on the mile track at Memphis.

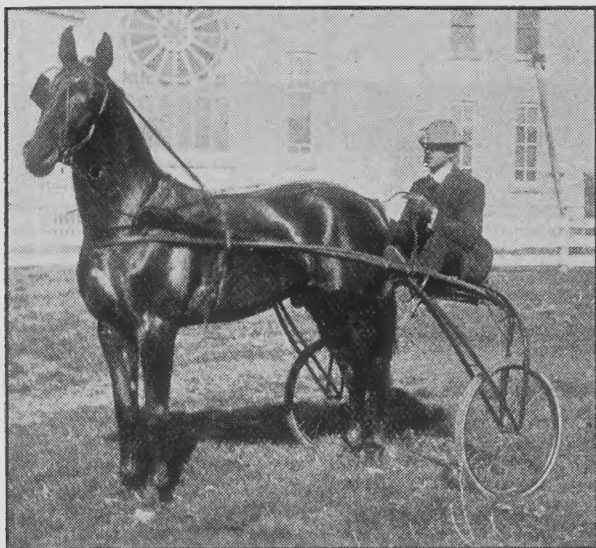
Regal Baron was the name on the door plate of the next stall, and I saw a beautiful, silk-coated dark stallion. Regal Baron, 2.23½, is by Baron Wilkes, by Geo. Wilkes, who has eleven in the 2.10 list. His first dam



INTERIOR OF BROWN'S STABLES.

Showing full length from the front. The doors to the various stalls are seen on each side, with the ornamentation, etc., alluded to in the article.

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CHESTNUT, IN HARNESS.

is sired by Membrino King, who has ten in the 2.10 list and is closely related to such famous horses as The Abbot, 2.03½, The Monk, 2.04, Fantasy, 2.06, and Hilda, 2.06½. Regal has been a mile in 2.18 and is good for a mile in 2.14 on a mile track. He stands for service at the stables, and there are already some fine colts from him around Portage. He is only seven years old, so his best racing days are to come.

Then comes Belle Rose, 2.29½, a dark, glossy mare who won several races in the 2.30 class during 1903. However, though faster than ever during the past season, she was not raced, as James Brown used her as his private driver.

I noticed "Nathalia Brown" on the name plate of a stall and looking in saw a splendid, tall, chestnut mare, familiarly called "Nat." This rangy racer goes without hobbles and has won many races, holding a record of 2.25½.

While in the States this fall the fast racer Tempest Hal was sold for \$5,000 and a fine breeding mare, Mattie A, and her colt, by Star Pointer, taken partly in exchange.

Mattie A is again in foal to Star Pointer, and a great burst of speed is expected from the colts.

Star Lady is related to Crescens, and is a fast traveller.

Brown Bars is a handsome dark horse that is driven in company with Regal Baron, making a well matched team, and cover a mile in less than 2.20.

The beautiful show horse of the stable, Lou Bradford, 2.28, has taken first prize wherever exhibited, and sweepstakes at Toronto, Buffalo and Chicago, and has also won several gentlemen's road races, driven by Adam Brown.

age plains. Maggie is by The Granger, by Volunteer, '33; the dam was by Orpheus, son of Avon, and she now has a fine colt by Regal Baron that will do some fast going soon.

Other fast horses have been sold to E. McKay, Portage Plains; Dr. Fraser, Brandon; Mr. Inglis, Brandon; Mr. Simpson, Winnipeg, and D. Wark,



COLLEGE LAD, 2.19½

Portage la Prairie. Jerry Robinson, Winnipeg. Judge Cumberland, Brandon, and A. R. Fanning, Newdale, each purchased a good team of drivers. All these horses were standard bred, and the price ranged from \$500 to \$5,000. During their short period of business, 120 horses have been sold, and another shipment will arrive in the spring.

The racing equipment of the stables is the best that can be had, both in harness and sulkies. Chestnut's delicate little green sulky weighs only 26 pounds, and there is a dainty little matinee wagon for team racing weighing only 42 pounds.

Our write-up would be incomplete without saying something about Dr. Dunc. Bell, V.S., who has charge of the horses. Mr. Bell was born in London, Ont., and received his first training in racing as a jockey, but becoming too heavy for that, took to

driving, and during his fourteen years' experience as driver has handled a great many horses. He has been in the West four years and drove the well-known gray racer, Democracy, to victory in the free-for-all. In fact, Dunc. has driven two winners out of three starts in the Winnipeg free-for-all at the exhibition. He has driven many horses to their records and is looking forward to giving Chestnut a new record next year. Mr. Bell is a full-fledged veterinary surgeon, having graduated from the Toronto Veterinary College.

A Graceful Courtesy.

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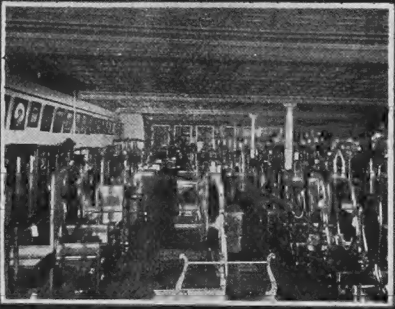
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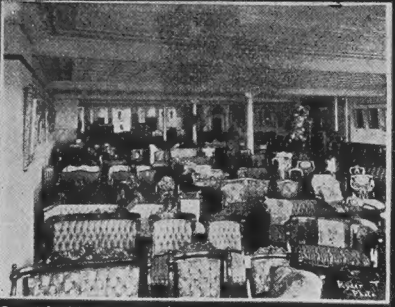
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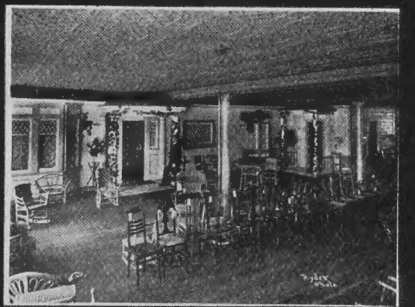
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View of Stables, on Good St.

BETWEEN THE CHORES

JOTTINGS BY A RANCHER :: Written for The Western Home Monthly by S. P.

INTRODUCTORY.

Ranching does not necessarily denote "bubolic barbarism." Who drives fat oxen need not himself be either fat or bovine. But "facile est descensus averno," and avernus in the case of a rancher consists of the backwaters of intellectual sluggishness and slipshodness whereby culture gets choked. There is a form of activity in backwaters which may be mistaken for progress; but it is the restless, aimless, swirling round and round of petty flotsam quite apart from and out of touch with the main stream of the world's social and intellectual life. Culture as well as capital is required by the rancher; the latter to build up and make a success of his herd of cattle; the former to build up and make a success of himself. Rural Canada at the present moment needs both badly.

Many things made a deep impression on my mind when I was new to

my own chores. Had I possessed as little culture as capital these chores would probably have dragged me down to their level, making mine the life of a hind. But culture has raised the chores; I placed them in the category of life's duties; and thus ennobled, my chores afford me as much pleasure in the performance and as much satisfaction when performed as in former days and in "another place." I spent my working hours in a different kind of daily tasks. "The mind is its own place," wrote Milton; and one can make a heaven of what, without culture, might be but drudgery. Shall I tell you my secret? It is simply this: I use my chores as a medium of mental work. Some are better media than others for the purpose. For instance, collecting the forenoon's harvest of eggs requires one to be "all there;" it is too delicate a task to permit of the mind's being engaged on the problem, say, of pro-

The Rancho Farmer.

In a rash moment before starting for Canada I gave a promise to an unfortunate editor of a Bengal magazine that I would send him "something from the land of my adoption. I contributed, in fulfilment of my promise, a short article entitled "The Ethics of Ranching." The concluding paragraph ran as follows: In this short "study" there is not space for more, though much more could be written. Like one of Sir Noel Paton's masterpieces, while the tout ensemble forms one grand picture, each detail is a picture by itself, full of interest and beauty, novelty and picturesqueness, and over-worked city men in eastern centres, such as Calcutta, would find exhilarating and recuperative resort—something different from, and probably better as well as cheaper, than the usual "run home."

Months passed; the article was duly published—and forgotten, when one day I found in my mail-bag a letter in an unfamiliar hand addressed:

Mr. S. P.,
Rancho Farmer,
Foothills of Alberta,
Canada.

Much to the credit of the postal authorities that letter arrived safely.

Neuk of Fife. The post office is a marvellous institution—the Canadian "Rural" not excepted.

Needless to say that, philologist as I am, the new word "Rancho-farmer" attracted my attention. It amused me at first—it looked so funny! But as it became familiar it began to take its place as a useful addition to my vocabulary. As far as I am aware, it is a new coinage, but I am open to correction. At all events it is, I think, a more accurate expression than "mixed farmer."

In government pamphlets on Western Canada one constantly reads of "mixed farming" as being the ideal form of profitable rural industry in the West; and by mixed farming is meant the owning of a small herd of cattle and the growing of cereals for the market. Now, "farming" and "farmers" are well known terms; so are "ranching" and "ranchers." To see farming at its best one should visit the Lothians of Scotland. The West of America is, I believe, the home of the rancher. It is to Alberta and its neighborhood that we are invited to go and see "mixed farming" and the "mixed farmer." I wonder what district is left for the "mixed rancher!" Probably he may be seen 'booted and spurred and a', frequenting the popular resorts of the nearest city. He has branded his stock, turned them out for the season and has come to town for a rest and change. As a rule the "mixed rancher" is in imminent danger of becoming a cropper in a financial bog-hole.

Time was, and that not long ago, when owners of cattle—no matter whether the herd numbered 20 or 200—could turn them out on the range and devote his attention to putting up a liberal supply of hay against a bad winter. These happy days have not quite gone yet. In the hills last year, I passed through several properties, the owners of which had nothing to show in the way of ploughing but a small "cabbage patch." But wave after wave of the rising tide of immigration is rolling over and engulfing our open land. That disfigurement par excellence of our lovely country, the barbed wire fence, is throwing out its hideous tentacles in all directions, and the owners of small properties are wondering what is to become of them when the country is "all fenced up." Necessity compels the small rancher to look more closely after the land that belongs to him, seeing that "what isn't his'n" no longer is at his disposal.

And so he develops into—what? A mixed farmer? Heaven forbid! There is nothing "mixed" about the hard-headed, keen-witted "sons of the soil" that have made a home and a competency by frugality and honesty in the "Far West." No! They develop into ranch farmers. Forced to cultivate their land, in order to pro-



A RANCH IN THE WEST.

the country—four years ago. The universal kindness and courtesy of the railway officials from Halifax to Calgary; the ease with which I got all I wanted in the shape of wines and spirits in Maine; the pleasant surprise at finding my boots again in the morning outside my hotel bedroom door—uncleaned; and the unpleasant one at not finding my new shot-gun which I had left downstairs in the luggage room. But what impressed me most was the, to me, new word "Chores." Everybody used it. It seemed to be a kind of Shibboleth and I was eager to know more about this charming addition to my vocabulary. That was four years ago. I still hear the word; but somehow it has lost its pristine charm. Philology is a favorable study of mine and (at first) I tried to find the origin of the word "chores." The Hindustani word "chor" at once suggested itself. "Chor" means "a thief." "Chores" may be so-called because they are the thief of a man's time. There is another Hindustani word "chur" meaning a bank formed in a river by gravel and debris obstructing the channel, and sometimes forming a permanent island in mid-stream. Certainly, one's chores obstruct the main current of one's daily life!

Having started ranching with more culture than capital, I have had to do

tection versus free trade. But demolishing a gnarled tree-root and converting it into a pile of fire-wood is an excellent incentive to vigorous thinking. I have solved many a knotty problem while dislocating the joints of a knotty stump. It is infinitely better for the purpose, and infinitely more healthful than a gallon of midnight oil or a score of pipes of tobacco.

Hewing wood and drawing water, be they ever so ennobled, are none the worse of intervals of rest. In fact, part of the enjoyment I feel in performing my chores is derived from the consciousness that someone is sitting upstairs waiting (shall I say wearying?) for my joining her in her cozy boudoir. My tiny writing desk is there and our choicest books, and while resting "between the chores," I jot down the thoughts that have been crystallizing out of doors. Or may read aloud portions of some favorite author. And thus our days are spent—happy and useful—and let us hope that while leading an idyllic bucolic life, we are so alive to the dangers that beset an unconventional life, and do so assiduously cultivate the antidotes to "bubolic barbarism" that the culture we brought with us to "Sunny Alberta" is still an active influence in our home, sweetening all around us.

It reminded me of a curious postal experience I had some years ago. I had written a letter in Bengal to my wife, who was then residing in Fife-shire, Scotland. The letter was addressed:

Mrs. _____
Dura House,
Cupar-Fife, N. B.

I went home on leave shortly after posting the letter and arrived before it; but it had come by a circuitous route. An intelligent Bengali clerk had translated "N.B." into Northern Bengal, instead of North Britain. It was evident to him then that "Cupar" was a misspelled form of "Chapra," while "Fife" was merely a caligraph ornamentation. Off then went my unfortunate letter to that centre of the indigo industry. One can fancy the post office Bagus of Chapra putting their well-oiled heads together in deep consultation as to what they should do with the document. By chance a Fife-shire man, who is up there "making his pile" in indigo, walks in and the Babus lay the matter before the "Sahib."

"Try the East Neuk" is the oracle's advice and down go the mysterious words in the regulation red ink on my envelope—"try the East Neuk." And so the letter started on its journey again and found its way—too late to be of any interest—to the East

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There may be "mixed farmers" just as there may be "mixed ranchers." The conservative narrow-minded man toils on from the time the frost is four inches out of the ground until returning winter leaves him nothing to do but wield his pick-axe on frozen manure. Frugal, industrious, God-fearing, he has worked year in year out along so narrow a path that he is unaffected by the march of progress. Jealous of his neighbor, suspicious of "new-fangled" methods of doing business, he is as soft as butter in the hands of the city dealer to whom he hauls his scanty harvest. But the shrewd up-to-date ranch-farmer is by no means "mixed" and is always "there" when an opportunity for bettering his position presents itself. S. P.

Another Wesley.

Cardiff, South Wales, has published abroad the tale of a new evangelist, Evans Roberts by name, who, from a common collier, has suddenly leaped into fame as almost a second Wesley. He draws vast throngs to hear him, and not only do his words thrill and fire his hearers, but he seems to possess the power of conferring upon them the gift of eloquent speech. Old men and maidens, young men and even children, rise and give testimony to the spiritual change he has worked in their lives. This rustic divine preaches the gospel of joy. He smiles and laughs in the pulpit, and his services in their gay and festive character are in marked contrast to the familiar lugubriousness of our own camp-meetings, with their weeping mourners and their overpowering sense of sin. It is said that at many of the factories in South Wales the hands have stopped work to hold prayer-meetings, and the owners complain that they are in consequence put to serious loss. At one of the large tin-plate factories, when the horn sounded the other morning, the men all dropped their tools, and for three-quarters of an hour they held a prayer-meeting, while the machinery stood still. They prayed for the manager's soul, but he replied that he preferred their work to their prayers. The whole story may remind us that the Celtic character in Wales, as in Ireland, or Scotland or Brittany, is singularly prone to waves of religious emotionalism, and goes to extremes in fervent piety.



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Be strong!
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And fold the hands and acquiesce, O! shame;
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Be strong!
It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes,—the day how long,—
Faint not! Fight on! To-morrow comes the song!

—M. D. Babcock.

A New Move.

With the view of furnishing readers of The Western Home Monthly with entertaining and up-to-date reading, we have made arrangements with a number of individuals in the West for articles on different subjects. We cannot name all, as the letters promised are so varied. This issue we give a couple. One is on the Constitutional



WM. TRANT,

The well-known writer,
of Calgary.

Growth of the Northwest Territories, by that well known speaker and writer of Regina, Mr. Wm. Trant. He deals with the growth of the Territories up to the present in an interesting manner. The other article is about the leading horse stables in the West. As will be noticed, these articles are well illustrated, and this course will be followed throughout. We have procured a very large number of photographs from towns all over the West, and these will be used as copy for halftones in illustrating our pages.

Notwithstanding the fact that the expense entailed in producing such a magazine is very heavy, we have set our face successward, and it is pleasing to know that our efforts are being appreciated. This is evinced by the large number of names we are receiving as subscribers. The list to hand for 1905 has been very gratifying indeed.

Good Nature Often Allied to Heroism.

A public school in one of the large eastern cities recently awarded one of its boy-pupils a medal for a rather unusual trait—the constant manifestation of good nature. He had not delved deeply into the profundities of academic learning; he had not mastered obstacles in the pathway of knowledge which the essayist delights to glibly characterize as "almost insuperable;" he had not fired his fellow scholars with his eloquence nor established new records on the cinder path or football gridiron. He had simply met the mutations just as frequent in school life as real life, and relatively as important, with a placid front.

When he failed in a class recitation, when he was disciplined righteously or otherwise, when he came to school on various mornings and found the stove smoky and the temperature inhospitable, when he was suffering from headache, toothache—in the face of

all and singular of the paltry worries which, collectively, make for every-day exasperation, he was serene, unmoved to wrath, with an infectious smile and a word of inspiration for those who take the little things of life more tragically. The authorities were justified, too, in distinguishing him from his comrades for the possession of this specific characteristic, for good nature is one of the most valuable qualities with which any individual may be endowed in the scramble for preferment.

Mind you, however, there are two varieties of good nature as there are two species of every quality peculiar to human kind. Amiability of temperament may be inherent or acquired. In the former instance the individual deserves no more credit than he would for the possession of brown instead of blue eyes. It came to him by no effort or volition of his own, and though it oils his way through life and increases the happiness of other people, he should ascribe no glory whatever to himself or permit himself to look with censorious eyes on the man who, through the operation of laws equally beyond his personal control, has been weighted down with a moodiness or biliousness of disposition. Another well-defined and rather prevalent type of the man generally reputed to be good-natured, is the lymphatic customer.

With a heart in his breast which never varies in its slow, methodical pumping, no matter how exciting events in the surrounding world, with nerves of nickel-steel, and sensibilities about as keen as those of a well-regulated steam engine, he moves on impassively through life, passing for a man of good nature. As a matter of fact, he is no more entitled to credit for his even poise than is that same steam engine for the rhythmic, unemotional performance of its functions. And neither is he good-natured, unless the term be applied as we might apply it to a lump of putty—a substance complacent enough in its way, albeit seldom appealing to the man whose veins bulge with a fluid that has nothing in common with clabber.

But it is when you arrive at the individual hampered by super-personal physical or psychical peculiarities, which induce a chronic saturnity of mental vision tinging his view-point with melancholy and veneering his labors and his pleasures with a yellowish, blue shade, that you should begin to get your microscope in action for the detection of commendable will-power and self-control. For if such a person exhibits a buoyancy of conduct, an enthusiasm, a philosophic interpretation of the disappointments of existence, you may be sure that you have discovered a hero. He is literally wrenching himself loose from impulses and propensities which gird him on every side and which seek to dominate his every action. Most likely he has learned by sordid experience, that the view-point of despondency does not pay, and that it puts him out of sympathy with the rest of the universe. But you may rest assured that it has been a desperate struggle for him to emerge from his slavery to himself—a slavery the most abject, and one which carries fetters more binding and galling than those of the most tyrannical external master.

So, when you are shedding your likes and dislikes so blithely in every direction, selecting persons for the former who ever greet you with a smile and a jovial word, don't forget the man whose smile may not be quite so spontaneous and inspiring as would meet your whim, but who may be making an uphill fight against his own morbidity of temperament. And don't be so ready to eulogize "old John, that sunny tempered fellow" at the expense of "James, who always looks as though he's attending his own funeral." Perhaps John's optimism came to him at birth as a legacy and, though he is to be congratulated as we would congratulate any friend similarly situated, James is infinitely more commendable if he is waging a hard war against a perversity of disposition for which he is to be no more condemned than is John for the happy reverse.

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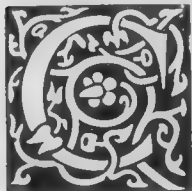
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CONSTITUTIONAL GROWTH of the NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

The subject of provincial autonomy for the Northwest Territories is now to the front. It may be of interest, therefore, to trace the origin and growth of the constitution that already obtains in that vast and important portion of the Dominion. In the British North America Act of 1867, by which the present Dominion of Canada was constituted, provision was made for the eventual admission into the Dominion of "Rupert's Land and the Northwest Territory," as the domain of the Hudson's Bay Company was called. Two years before the passing of the Act, the Hon. George Brown had visited England on a fruitless mission concerning the desired acquisition of these Territories. In 1868, however, Sir George E. Cartier and Mr. William McDougall were commissioned to proceed to London to arrange terms, and, in the succeeding year, the settlement was effected. The terms and conditions of the surrender were in brief, that the Cana-

posed of by the Government of Canada in communication with the Government of Great Britain.

RED RIVER REBELLION.

On the 29th of October, 1869, Mr. W. McDougall was appointed Lieutenant-Governor of the domain obtained from the Hudson's Bay Company, and proceeded to take possession. The French half-breed population of the Red River, however, asserted the dissatisfaction they felt at the manner in which, without making any arrangements respecting the rights which they claimed were inherent in them as sons of the soil, the territory had been handed over to the Canadian Government. Mr. McDougall was met at the frontier, and, along with other officials who accompanied him, was compelled by the discontented half-breeds to quit the Hudson's Bay post in which he had temporarily taken up his quarters, and to retire to United States territory. This was the begin-

eral in Council to assist and advise him in passing Ordinances for the government of the Territory. On the 20th



David Laird.

First Lieutenant Governor of the N.W.T., 1876-1881. Minister of the Interior in the Mackenzie Government; now Commissioner of Indian Affairs at Winnipeg.

and the Northwest Territories were restricted to the region west of Manitoba and Keewatin and east of the boundary of the newly constituted province. The chief condition of the entry of British Columbia into confederation was the immediate and rapid construction of a railway connecting the tide waters of the Pacific Ocean with the railway systems of Ontario and Quebec. This gigantic undertaking culminated in the Canadian Pacific Railway, whose history belongs to Canada as a whole rather than to the Northwest Territories alone. All that needs to be mentioned in this abridged history is that there were set apart for railway purposes a tract of one hundred and ten miles on each side of the line of railway west of the Red River. In these lands the even numbered sections were allotted for homesteads and pre-emptions and the odd-numbered sections were reserved for sale in behalf of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. The amount of this and subsidy was about fifty millions of acres. Of course these regulations did not and could not in any way affect the lands of the Hudson's Bay Company or the lands that were set apart as Public School Lands.

THE NORTHWEST COUNCIL.

Immigration to the new country set in with rapid flow, chiefly from the



OLD BATTLEFORD, Showing Dominion Government Buildings.

The building on the hill to the left is the first Government House, occupied by Mr. Laird, the first Lieutenant Governor. There was a large room in it at the end this way which was used as a council room. The building is still standing; it has been considerably enlarged and is now used as a boarding school for Indians. The second building was used as a residence by Registrar Scott, the small structure to the right being the Registry Office. Between Government House and Registrar Scott's there was another edifice, the residence of Judge Richardson; it was destroyed by fire during the rebellion. The buildings to the right of the cut, on the hill, are those occupied by Mr. Forget, secretary to the governor at that time and now Lieutenant Governor. The trail leading up the hill, over the bridge across the Battle river, is the old road, and the poles and wires are the Government telegraph. The town proper is now to the south on the Saskatchewan river.

dian Government should pay to the Company for its rights the sum of £300,000 sterling. Besides this money payment, the Company was to be permitted to retain all the trading posts or stations then in actual possession and occupation, with the blocks of land adjoining; and also, one-twentieth of all the lands in the Fertile Belt. The Fertile Belt was described as being bounded on the south by the United States boundary, on the west by the Rocky Mountains, on the north by the northern branch of the Saskatchewan river, and on the east by Lake Winnipeg, the Lake of the Woods, and the waters connecting therewith. The claims of the Indians of the Territories were to be dis-

ting of what is known as the Red River Rebellion, conducted under the leadership of Louis Riel. Mr. McDougall was obliged to abandon the attempt to take possession of the country and he returned to Ottawa in the month of December. The Canadian Government at once opened direct communication with the disaffected persons with the result that the Red River settlements were erected into the Province of Manitoba. It was further enacted that the remaining portion of the newly acquired country be erected into a separate Territory, of which the Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba should, ex-officio, be Lieutenant Governor, and that an Executive Council be appointed by the Governor Gen-

May, 1870, Mr. G. Archibald, C.M.G., Q.C., was appointed Lieutenant Governor of the new Province and of the Northwest Territories.

On the 28th January, 1871, the first ministry of the Province of Manitoba was formed, whose jurisdiction, however, was limited to the Province, the Lieutenant Governor ruling the Territories, in the manner above indicated. Early in 1871 an event happened, of great importance to the Northwest by reason of the undertakings that were the result of its occurrence. Reference made to the entry of British Columbia into federation with the Dominion of Canada. With this event, British Columbia entered on a separate history



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Edgar Dewdney.

One of the "Old Guard." Lieutenant Governor during the Riel rebellion, 1881-1888.

older provinces, particularly from Ontario, and change in the form of government became necessary. Up to 1876 the administration of the Northwest Territories had remained in the hands of the Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba, as already indicated, and an appointed Council of eleven, the Council of Assiniboia, it was called. In 1875, however, was passed by the Federal Government an "Act to amend and consolidate the law respecting the Northwest Territories," and it came into force the following year. Under this Act the affairs of the Territories were entrusted to a Council composed of the Lieutenant Governor and a Council appointed by the Governor General in Coun-

in 1887, at Livingstone, on the Swan River, the place selected pending the erection of suitable buildings at Battleford, then regarded as the capital of the Territories. The Lieutenant Governor presided at the meetings of the Council and had a vote therein, as well as a casting vote in the event of a tie. The enactments of the Council. Ordinances they are called in contradistinction to the enactments of the provinces, which are called Statutes, were on such matters only as were permitted by order from the Governor General in Council. The subjects were such as would naturally suggest themselves in a newly formed community and indeed were often suggested by the people themselves. For instance, one of the very first matters to consider was a petition for aid for a

school. But the money allowed by the Federal Government for the Government of the Territories was voted for specific purposes and the Council, therefore, had no power to grant the prayer of the petitioners. They, however, took a very wise step. They placed the matter before the Dominion Government and asked that the desired aid be granted for so laudable and urgent an object. It was pointed out that although the newly constituted council had no power to appropriate any of its grants for such a purpose, yet that it had power to permit the existence of corporations for the establishment of schools, that these corporations could raise money by a tax for the purpose, and that the



Joseph Royal.

Lieutenant Governor 1888 to 1893. Lawyer, journalist and legislator. Defended Lepine in the trial for the murder of Thos. Scott by Riel's provisional government.

ANNUAL MEMORIALS.

There were many matters that from their nature were beyond the jurisdiction of the Council. They were not, however, beyond its discussion. There thus came into existence a formulated assertion every year of the wants and desires of the Council, which was placed before the Federal Government by petition or resolution and generally urged by a delegation from the Council to the Government at Ottawa. These documents are of interest and importance as showing the increasing desire of the people of the Territories for self-government and entire control of their own affairs, as well as an assumption of the privilege of tendering advice in those matters upon which it was beyond its power to legislate. Thus we find the Council calling upon the Federal Government to recognize the rights of squatters and of dealing favorably with the claims of the half-breeds. The Council formulated, too, such alterations in the statutes of the Federal Parliament for governing the Territories that it thought desirable should be made and it may be at once stated that all the laws affecting the Territories that have been passed by the Dominion Parliament, all the constitutional changes that have been effected, are not only foreshadowed in, but are the direct result of, these annual memorials. In 1883, we find the first intimation of the wisdom of irrigation in certain parts of the Territories and of the desirability of railway extension. We find, too, that the Council urged that it should have greater control in the expenditure of its money. It also demanded more money. It claimed the same subsidy per capita, as was given the provinces, additional sums as compensation for the public lands that were being sold by the Dominion Government as well as an advance on account of the school lands

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that would be sold in a future more or less remote. The Council also asked for more extensive powers generally. The following year still stronger requests were preferred. It was asked



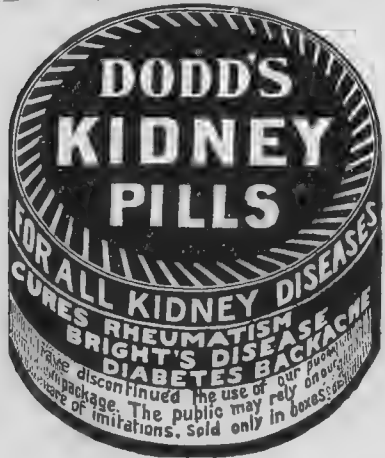
OLD GOVERNMENT HOUSE, REGINA.

cil. Provision was also made by the Act for the creation, as population increased, of electoral districts for the election of additional members to the Council. When these should reach twenty-one in number the Council was to be abolished and a legislative assembly take its place.

The first meeting of the Council was

central authority would be willing to give grants in aid. From this germ has grown the present splendid school system of the Territories; with its school districts, Boards of Trustees, Council of Public Instruction, and all paraphernalia of a sound educational system.

In 1881 the population of the Northwest had so increased that one district was erected into an electorate and returned a member to the Council. The honour of being first elected member of the Council belongs to Mr. Laurence Clarke, who was returned for the district of Lorne. In 1883 there were six districts, each sending a representative, Frank Oliver and J. H. Ross taking their seats for Edmonton and Moose Jaw respectively. In 1887 the number was fourteen, and the following year the constitution of the government was amended before the prescribed number of twenty-one was reached. In the meantime, after three sessions at Battleford, an important change took place. Battleford was too far from the railway to maintain its position as capital, and Regina was selected for that distinction in 1883. From that date the seat of government has been at Regina.



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that appointed members should be abolished and that the Council should be superseded by an Assembly elected entirely by the people. It is worth noting too, especially in the face of recent events, that the Council declared its intention of keeping itself aloof from the party politics of the Dominion and announced that any use of the Assembly for party purposes would be deplorable. Many of the formulated requests have been already granted and the tendency is to grant them all.

The thread of this history now returns to the work of the Northwest Council. In the speech at the opening of the session, December, 1885, the Lieutenant Governor lamented the great difficulty of consulting the members of the Council in their executive capacity when not in session, and expressed a hope that some arrangement might be made under which he could have the benefit of such assistance, thus foreshadowing the establishment of an advisory council, ministry or cabinet. The immediate arrangement was that the local members should have access to His Honour on matters affecting their respective districts.

The session in 1887 was the last of the Council. It was at this session that Mr. F. W. G. Haultain, the present premier, first took his seat as a legislator, having been selected as the representative of Macleod. It is worth noting that Mr. Haultain is at once the youngest and the oldest premier in Canada; youngest in years, longest as regards term of premiership. The opening speech from the Lieutenant Governor in 1887, spoke of the meeting as "in all probability the last session of the Northwest Council as at present formed." And so it was; the first Council of the Northwest Territories completed its career, leaving a splendid record of what had been done towards forming the history of the greatest field for immigration the world has ever seen.

THE NORTHWEST ASSEMBLY.

In 1886 the Federal Parliament granted the request of the Northwest Council for representation in the Dominion House of Commons and the Senate, and two Senators and four members of parliament represented the great Northwest in both these Houses, until the recent election. Now there are four

senators and ten members of the House of Commons. In 1888 the wishes of the Council were met by a large measure of autonomy. The Northwest Council was abolished and an Assembly substituted consisting of twenty-two elected members. The Lieutenant Governor had no longer a seat in the House but selected therefrom four of its members to form an advisory council on financial matters. The three judges who had seats in the old Council were retained as legal experts and were to sit in the Assembly and take part, if necessary, in debate, but they had no vote. Their chief duty was to give a legal opinion on any subject that might be submitted to them by the Assembly; and it is not saying too much when it is recorded that much of the legislation carries signs of the master-hand of Colonel Richardson, the first judge in the Northwest Territories. Even this great measure of autonomy did not work to the satisfaction of the newly constituted Assembly. It was felt that the Lieutenant Governor did not allow his advisory council that control of financial matters which it was thought they should have; and as control of expenditure was the question on which feeling was warmest, the Council resigned. A "crisis" had been reached and the battle for "responsible" government went on with considerable vigour until 1891. In that year the Federal Parliament passed an Act giving the Northwest Assembly absolute control over expenditure within those limits defined by the matters with which the Assembly was competent to deal, and provid-



A. E. Forget.

The present Lieutenant Governor of Northwest Territories. Took office in 1898, and re-appointed in 1904. "One of the best informed men on constitutional questions."

ing for the election by the Assembly of one of its members as its presiding officer. The Act also provided for the appointment by the Lieutenant Governor of an advisory council and as it is obvious this Council must possess the confidence of the Assembly, it will be seen that responsible government had virtually been attained. Indeed, the powers possessed by the Northwest Assembly are the same as those conferred upon the legislatures of the provinces, except as to borrowing powers and the custody of the lands. Finally, in 1897, the administration was entrusted to a Lieutenant Governor and an Executive

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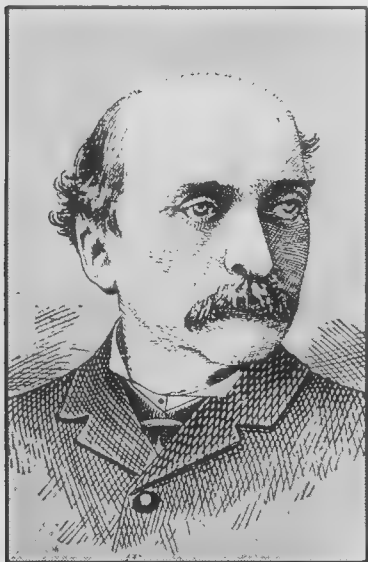
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THE YUKON.

It remains to add that in 1882 the Territories were divided into the districts of Assiniboia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Athabaska, for postal purposes.



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and the divisions were afterwards adopted as the basis of electoral divisions and judicial districts, excepting Athabaska, which is still unorganized. In 1897 the vast portion of the Territories outside these districts was divided into the districts of the Yukon, MacKenzie, Ungava and Franklin. Shortly before this date, the discovery of gold in large quantities on the Klondyke and other streams feeding the Yukon attracted a large population to the barren and inhospitable region bordering the Arctic Circle. The population increased so rapidly that a separate administration became necessary, and in 1893 the Yukon was created by the Federal Government into a separate Territory, administered by a Commissioner, aided by an Advisory Council. WM. TRANT.

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In one of Manitoba's most beautiful districts there is an abrupt hill which rises from a small lake or pond. One afternoon recently, in a glad elasticity of spirit, I was tramping through the wood at a smart pace, when I came upon a crowd gathered at the top of this hill. Toboggans were as numerous and as active as the most ardent sport could desire, or, to use school-boy parlance, "the pot was kept boiling." The ascent of man was neatly balanced by the descent of man.

In winter there is a blessed annuity of earth and sky and air. Winter, the skilful artist, brushes in his colors from a dull palate, yet these sunless greys and cold blues have beauties all their own. And if the monochrome of winter needed lighting up, here it was in the crimson sacks, blue toques and scarlet sashes of her devotees.

The naked trees were wrapped in swathings of ice and millions of silver tresses and



Walter Scott.

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icy lances were pendant from their boughs. "Forms most delicate, pure and clear, Frost-caught starbeams fallen sheer In the night and woven here

In jewel-fretted tapestries."

The bonnie lads and lasses looked radiant even for Canadians. The little chaps made the rapid descent on sleds and presented an appearance not unlike that of a frog. One venturesome rascal attempted the descent on a board. The result was disastrous.

At first I was timid of entrusting my life into the hands of such youthful irresponsibles, but at last consented to have "just one try." And so it happened, that after winding my skirts carefully around me, I sat down on the flimsy looking board. The small shaver in front took my feet into his keeping and clung to them affectionately.

Swish! Swish! we were off. Dr. Johnson thought riding in a fast post chaise one of the most exciting experiences of life. I wonder what the dear old gentleman would have said to a toboggan ride down a Canadian hill.



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My small escorts, who in the natural course of events, should have had all the breath shaken out of their bodies, really enjoyed the experience, or, on second thoughts, it might have been my discomfiture that made them laugh so heartily. I made several trips after that, but on the whole found it was far more fun to stand at the top and laugh at the others go down, or where the bump was at the bottom and see them shoot vertically into the air and alight again.

The girls, in sweaters and toques, were regular sports and quite competent in carrying themselves up the hill and of giving a hand to help with the toboggan. One damsel attracted my special attention. This little coquette sat herself in the centre of the sled and ordered one of her humble attendants to get on in front, but before the mandate could be obeyed, she had innocently lifted her feet from the ground and found herself sailing down the hill. Two gallants rushed after her, quite unconscious of possible broken necks, and in the end were too late to rescue milady. For, in her desperate efforts to save herself, she rolled off the sled. It came on top of her, and away she went, muff, petticoats and all. One poor man had a hard time to ascend, encumbered, as he was, with a girl and toboggan. The girl seemed to slip back two steps to every three that she took, while the *les enfants terribles* stood at the top and shouted complimentary remarks at them.

There was a party in snow-shoes, and a man on skis. These foreign looking things bore him quickly down amid the gratified shouts of the spectators. His ascent was not so glorious, for the long sticks kept hitting together between his legs. The sight was screamingly ludicrous, and we all became *les enfants terribles* and laughed unmercifully.

When the sun was beginning to fall, in

gold and scarlet across the snow, we turned our steps homeward. The snow was falling. The wind had risen and was whistling magic melodies among the ice coated branches. And as I looked away in the distance at the white fields and the falling snow, I thought of those "mercy lines":—"Softly, softly falleth the snow, Over the valleys, lone and low; Over the rugged and bleak hill side, And the desolate fields outspreading wide. So from thy throne of light above, Look Thou upon us, O Lord of Love, And cover our sin and remove our woe By Thy dear mercy's robe of snow." —Kathleen Ferguson Murphy.

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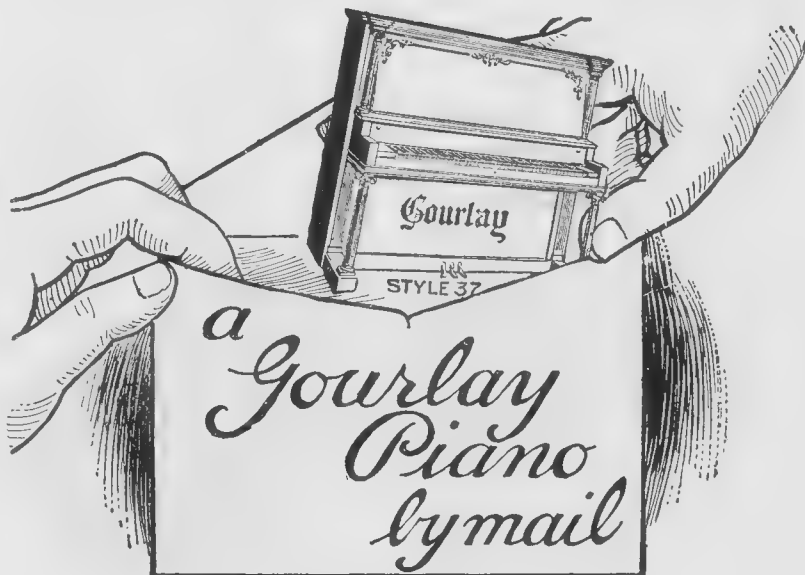
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G. C. Emerson.

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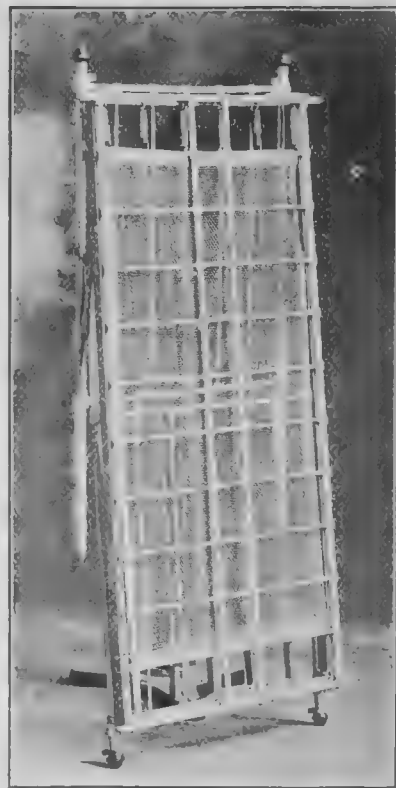
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The mattresses made by this firm are most even, no lumps or uneven parts are



Folding Bed.

up to a high standard. All kinds of mattresses, such as hair, felt, palm leaf, wood fibre, wool, cotton, sea grass, etc., will be

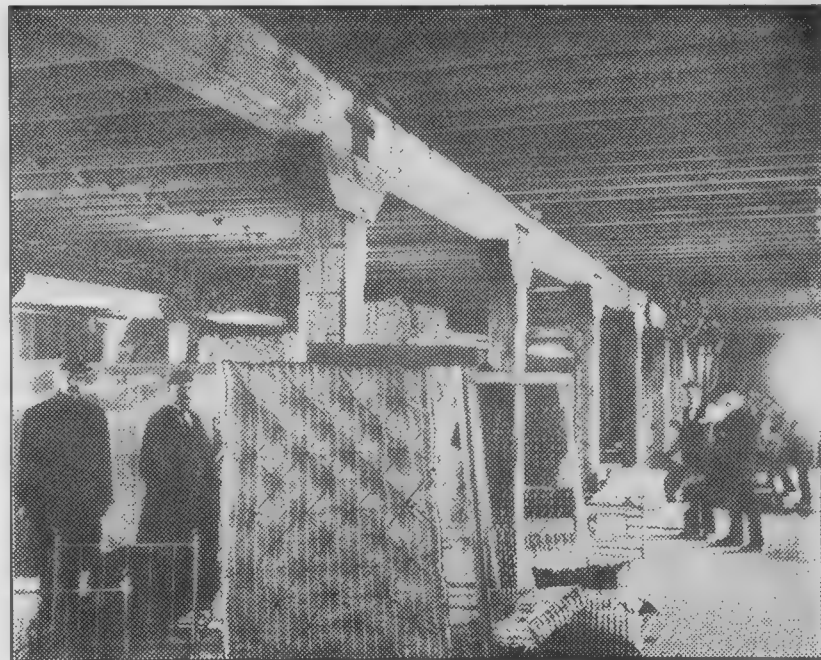


G. C. Emerson Bedding Factory.

to active business life, he began to look about for a factory site and bought a lot on Henry avenue, where he erected a commodious building fifty by one hundred feet and three stories high. This site is admirably situated for the carrying on of a large business, having trackage immediately alongside and all other necessary acces-

sories for the conduct of such an establishment. The factory is strongly and substantially constructed and is sheeted on the outside with iron and painted a dark red. The engine and boiler house, at the rear, are constructed of solid brick in which is installed a fifty-horse power boiler and a twenty-five-horse power engine to furnish steam heating and power to run the machinery.

The whole three flats in the building are utilized. The machinery installed is of the

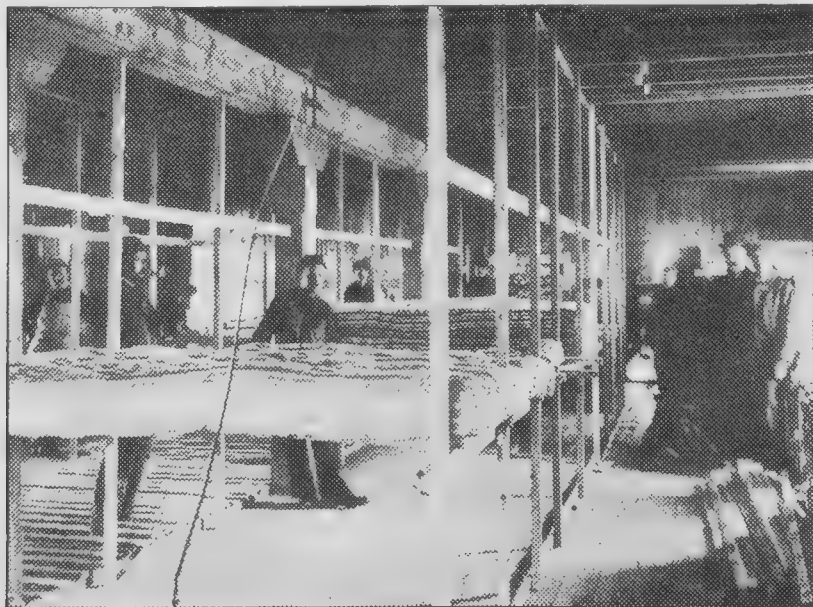


Show Rooms—First Floor.

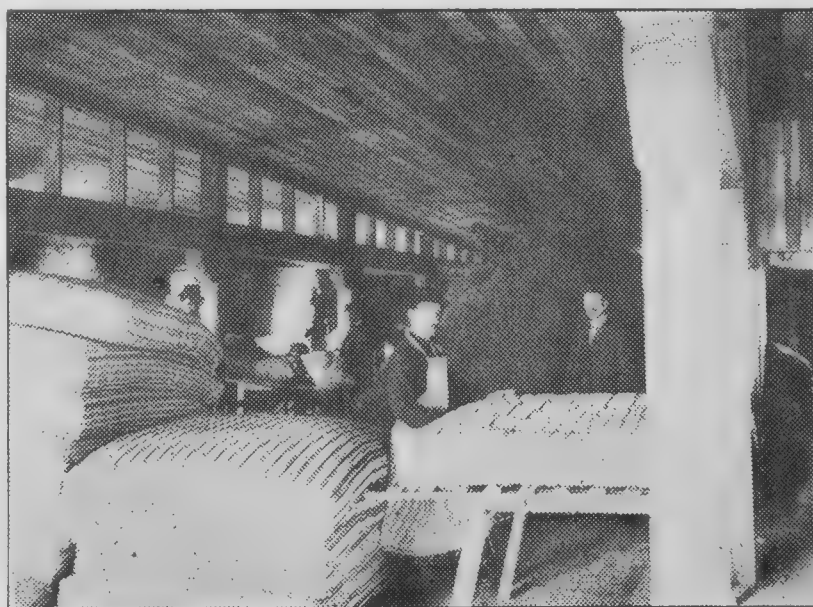
permitted in their construction, which is a feature worthy of note, a most commendable one, as any housekeeper will acknowledge. Many years of practical experience in the manufacture of mattresses and pillows has taught Mr. Emerson that it pays to turn out the best and it is his intention to keep the manufacture of all his goods

manufactured, and of course the price to buyers will vary according to the quality of the article so purchased.

The third flat is perhaps the most interesting part of the whole works to the visitor, as it contains the feather cleaning and renovating plant. The feather cleaning room, eighteen by seventy-five feet in



Mattresses and Springs—Second Floor.



Feather Cleaning and Stock Room—Third Floor.

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Folding Crib.

thet end of the bin from the machine, the heavier, or cheaper, grades remaining closest to the machine. In this way the feathers may be correctly sorted; trap doors opening in the bottom of the bin permit them to drop into separate receptacles underneath. It may be mentioned right here that persons desiring to have their feather beds or feather pillows thoroughly and completely cleansed and renovated can have them well done at short notice by sending them to the Emerson Company. Feathers cleaned by this process are as light and fluffy as when new; it matters not how long they have been in use.

Before bringing this description of the premises and plant to a close, it behooves us to make mention of a child's folding crib which this firm manufacture, having purchased all rights for it for this western country from the head of the Great Lakes to the Pacific Coast. The crib is constructed from the best angle iron, strong but light, with special woven wire spring. The sides of the crib fold in; the head and foot fold downwards under the spring, and, when folded, it may be laid aside out of the way until put in use again. It is a most ingeniously constructed crib and one which is sure to be a ready seller. The many advantages in its favor are obvious, for the reason when not occupied, and, where space in the home, as is the case in many homes in the West, is at a premium, it can be removed in daytime to be replaced at night.

The Emerson Company have in their employ an efficient staff skilled in the business of bed and mattress making, who are now working overtime to get a stock together to supply the requirements of the trade. The intention of the firm is to manufacture and supply the trade only, with the possible exception of their feather renovating and cleaning department, wherein feather beds and feather pillows will be cleaned for the citizens in general who desire to patronize this branch of the business.

Mr. G. C. Emerson is an enthusiastic and enterprising business man who has great confidence in the future of Western Canada and he has now laid the foundation for a large and prosperous business.

extent, contains possibly the finest and most modern machine in the West. It contains a large compartment in which the green feathers are cured and dried, and in which all feathers sent to the works for a thorough renovating is put. This compartment is filled with live steam, the feathers being continually turned over, by the working of the machine, until they are thoroughly cleaned and renovated. Then the steam is permitted to escape from the cleansing compartment and more hot steam is turned into a false bottom, the heat from which dries the feathers thoroughly. After the feathers are dried they are blown out of the machine by a powerful fan into a large sorting bin. This blowing out operation is perhaps the most interesting part of the whole feather cleaning process. The bin into which the feathers are blown out off the machine is about sixty feet long, with cotton sides and cotton covered overhead, the floor of the bin being some three feet above the floor of the room. In the blowing out, the "down" is blown to the far-

Trust Companies

Trust companies, or trust corporations as they are sometimes known, are modern institutions created by act of parliament or by an act of the legislature in the province in which the trust company or corporation proposes to conduct its business. In the early days, before the advent of the trust company, the management of estates were very often left to private individuals known as executors. This practice often culminated in annoyance and confusion to the parties interested owing to the removal by death of the trustee before the final completion of the trust reposed in him. These grave risks, as well as the many inconveniences and delays occasioned, gave rise to the inception of a more permanent and safer way to administer estates which culminated in the founding of the trust company. These institutions, possessing ample capital and the necessary equipment, including a staff of trained officials for carrying on operations systematically and economically on strict business principles, now fill a long-felt want to the entire community.

By employing such corporations, persons creating trusts, as well as the beneficiaries of trust funds, effectually secure for themselves many important advantages.

In the first place absolute safety of the trust property is secured, with efficiency and economy in the management of affairs. An undying trustee is guaranteed, with the assurance that the trust will be administered on certain well-considered principles, and the avoidance of the serious risks, delays and inconveniences incident to the death of a trustee. Of the advantages thus secured some are the obvious and necessary results of the corporate, and, therefore, permanent character of the trustee; while others, such as the safety of the trust funds, the economy and efficiency of their administration, are the almost equally necessary results of the employment of one of these corporations, whose affairs are conducted on business principles by a directorate of high standing and intelligence.

While the establishment of a corporate trustee is, for the foregoing reasons, an inestimable boon

to a large class of persons whose welfare is dependent on the safe and judicious care of trust properties, it is almost as great a boon to those who sometimes, through relationship, friendship or other causes, are so often reluctantly induced to assume responsibilities as a trustee; duties and responsibilities which, where such a company exists, no private individual need hesitate to decline, or if appointed without his consent, to relieve himself by having the corporation appointed in his stead, or if this is impossible, by appointing it as his agents. These corporations have the confidence of the government and the highest courts in the land, and are selected and made the agent in many cases for the inspectors of asylums, thus virtually placing under the control of the company so appointed the control and management of lunatics' estates.

The securities which the corporation holds for each trust under its management are kept entirely distinct and separate from all others and are registered in the books of the corporation or trust so as to be at once distinguished from any other security.

There are multitudinous ways in which the trust corporations may be employed which it is impossible to treat at any length in a brief article, but there is one feature which is worthy of passing notice, and that is in the matter of guardianships.

It frequently happens that infants, who are possessed of estates, have no guardian to protect their interests and superintend the expenditure connected with their maintenance and education, and in such cases friends are not always forthcoming who are willing to assume the duties and responsibilities of guardians, extending as they generally do over a lengthened period; and at the same time to furnish the security required by the court before they can be clothed with the guardianship authority. One of these corporations may be secured to fill the breach and to act as guardians to minors, both as to their persons and estates, and the friends of minors can, by availing themselves of its services as guardians, relieve themselves alike from the serious responsibility of the office and from the duty of finding necessary security.

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National Trust Company.

The National Trust Company, Limited, has now been in business in Canada for about seven years. The company started with a fully paid-up capital of \$1,000,000, and has, during the course of its business career, paid twenty quarterly dividends upon its capital stock, and accumulated a reserve fund, at the end of 1904, of \$350,000. With such a showing it is admitted that it could be only done with the most careful business management. The company handles an enormous amount of trust funds, amounting to in the neighborhood of \$7,000,000, together with a great volume of real estate and other securities, belonging to estates and trustees, which will aggregate a much greater amount.

The company is also Land Commissioner for the Canadian Northern Railway Land Grant and Trustee for the bondholders. The Land Grant is handled through the National's office at Winnipeg.

The company's head office is established at Toronto, with branches at Montreal, Winnipeg and Edmonton.

A thoroughly equipped staff is employed by the National Trust Company, and the greatest care is taken of the interests of its clients.

Mr. J. W. Flavell, of Toronto, is the company's President, and Mr. W. T. White, General Manager. Mr. Arthur Stewart, the Winnipeg Manager, has been a resident of Manitoba for the past 31 years, having a varied and valuable experience in the rise and fall of Winnipeg values; his judgment, therefore, can be relied upon for the protection of any of the affairs of the company's clients handed to the Winnipeg office for supervision.

A. L. CROSSIN,
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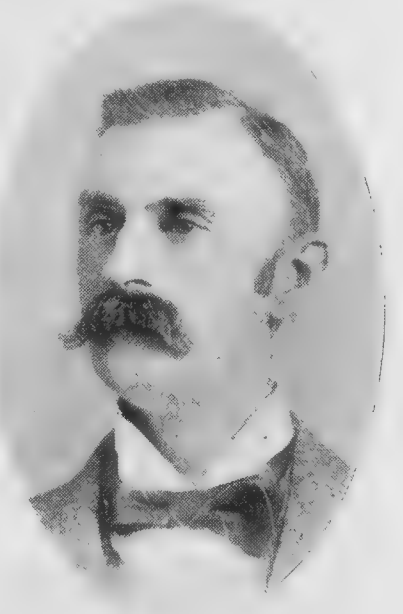
This corporation, familiarly known as "The Pioneer Trust Company of Canada," was established twenty-three years ago by Mr. J. W. Langmuir, who still continues to actively manage its affairs. Mr. Langmuir has surrounded himself with a Board of Directors comprising a number of the most eminent and successful business men in Canada. The corporation has now become national in character, having offices in Toronto, Ottawa and Winnipeg. From a staff of two or three clerks the development of business has been such as to require 50 officers and clerks in the head office alone. Since the formation of the company in 1882 estates and trusts aggregating \$50,000,000 have passed through the hands of the management, rendering public service such as of necessity cannot be performed in an equal degree by any other public organization. The corporation has always adhered to the sound policy of confining its operations strictly to a legitimate trust business. Every dollar of funds available for investment is represented by real estate mortgages or municipal debentures. The success of the corporation has been largely due to the determination of the directors that the absolute safety of the trust funds and property committed to its care should be the paramount consideration. The paid-up capital stock of The Toronto General Trusts Corporation is \$1,000,000, to which must be added a reserve fund representing the undivided profits of 23 years of \$300,000.

R. T. RILEY,
The Northern Trusts Company.

The Northern Trusts Company, recently formed in Winnipeg, is entirely a western product, its capital being almost wholly in the hands of western men and its directorate entirely so. Of the total capital of \$1,000,000, at the time of writing, \$390,200 has already been subscribed for and allotted on the books without any personal solicitation, and as it is known that more stock will be applied for than can be allotted, it is probable that the company may have to increase its capital in order to give those who wish to join this company at its initiation an opportunity of doing so. This will place the company in the same class as the largest institutions doing a similar business in Canada.

The officials of the company are Geo. F. Galt, of the well-known firm of G. F. & J. Galt, President; G. R. Crowe, Manager of the Northern Elevator Co., Vice-President; and R. T. Riley, who is well known from his connection with the W. E. Sanford Mfg. Co., Canadian Fire Insurance Co., Great West Life Co., and the Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation, as Managing Director.

The other directors of the company are J. H. Ashdown, D. K. Elliott, G. V. Hastings, Geo. D. Wood, J. A. M. Aikins, J. H. Brock, A. Macdonald, J. Robinson, Wm. Robinson, F. W. Stobart, P. Burns, Calgary; J. Hanbury, Brandon; R. D. McNaughton, Moomin; and J. A. McDougall, Edmonton; making the strongest aggregation of western men ever brought together on one board. Its success is assured.

W. S. BEECHER,
Royal Trust Company.

The Royal Trust Company is as well known throughout Canada almost as is the Bank of Montreal from the reason that the Directors of the Royal Trust and the Directors of the Bank of Montreal are practically one and the same well known financial gentlemen.

The Royal Trust has a subscribed capital of \$1,000,000; paid-up capital, \$500,000; reserve fund, \$100,000. The President of the Royal is Lord Strathcona, Vice-President Sir George Drummond, K.C.M.G., and the Directors R. B. Angus, E. S. Clauston, A. F. Galt, E. B. Greenshields, C. M. Hays, C. R. Hosmer, Sir W. C. Macdonald, H. V. Meredith, A. T. Paterson, A. McNider, James Ross, Sir T. G. Shaughnessy, Sir Wm. C. Van Horne, K.C.M.G.

Mr. W. S. Beecher, the newly appointed western manager, whose headquarters are over the Bank of Montreal, on Main street, is well known to western people.

For over thirty-two years Mr. Beecher occupied a prominent place in the Hudson's Bay Company, during the last fifteen years of which he was accountant.

P. M. Arthur, the late chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, said that if it were not for the saloons seven-tenths of all the workingmen would have their own homes.

HISTORY OF MANITOBA

BY MARJORIE HADDEN
Chater, Manitoba

The civilized era of Manitoba has only begun in the eighteenth century, but how long it may have been populated by the rude nations of centuries past will remain dim and vague to the present thriving Manitoba. The populous Mound Builders, who dwelt in peace over the wide prairies, were soon cut down by the fierce North American Indians. "The roaming hunter tribes, warlike and fierce," hunted the bison in their vast hunting-ground for many years before the white men endeavored to obtain the large tract of land in the Northwest, the Indians' hunting-ground. The prairies were given to the Hudson's



MARJORIE HADDEN,
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Bay Company in 1670 by Charles II. of England.

"Prince Rupert's Land," the name then given to the prairies, was very productive of fur-bearing animals. So valuable was the fur-trade the Company carried on that it did not wish the people of the eastern portions of Canada to gain knowledge of the fertility of the soil. But a few settlers had penetrated the wilds of Manitoba, and a small colony had been founded near the Red River junction, by the perseverance of Lord Selkirk in 1811. Some few years later the Canadian government took steps to get possession of the land held by the Hudson's Bay Co. The Canadian Government induced the British Parliament to pass an Act by which the Hudson's Bay territory could be surrendered to Canada on payment of the just claims of the Company. It was offered three hundred thousand pounds, one-twentieth of the land, and the right to retain their trading privileges, the offer being accepted.

Little or no thought, however, was given to the French Halfbreeds who had settled on the Red River banks, when taking possession of the country and making provision for its future government. When surveyors were sent out to inspect the country near Fort Garry, the Halfbreeds became alarmed lest they should be forced to give up their homes and land. No attempts to quiet their fears being

made, they became agitated under the influence of Louis Riel and M. Lepine, and broke out into open revolt, with these men as their leaders. When the Governor of the new province of Manitoba endeavored to enter it, he found his way barred by an armed force. The leaders of the rebellion now formed a Provisional Government, impressing all those supposed to be in sympathy with the Dominion Government. Riel, having a strong personal dislike of Thomas Scott, a brave, outspoken loyalist, had him seized, and, giving him the form of a trial, sentenced him to be shot, this being carried out in March, 1870, under circumstances of great brutality. When news of it reached Ontario and Quebec, great was the excitement, and many hundreds of young men offered their services to go with General Wolseley to crush the rebellion. Those best fitted to endure hardships being chosen, they set out on the long, trying march to Fort Garry, only to find on arriving there the rebels scattered and everything quiet.

The same year, 1870, the Manitoba Act was passed. It defined the limits of Manitoba, and stated how it was to be governed. Its form of government is similar to that of Ontario; and, like Ontario, it decided to do without a "second chamber" or legislative council. It was given the right to send four members to the House of Commons, and was allowed two Senators.

A serious dispute arose a few years later out of the fact that the Manitoba Legislature repealed (1890) an Act which allowed separate schools in that province and passed another that recognized no schools save those which are free and non-sectarian; the dispute being carried on between the Dominion and Manitoba. The right to have separate schools had been granted to the Manitoba Legislature in 1871, and the Roman Catholics, when this right was withdrawn, appealed to the Dominion Government for relief. A long and bitter struggle followed. The Dominion Government, under the leadership, first, of Sir Mackenzie Bowell, and subsequently of Sir Charles Tupper, endeavored to induce Manitoba to change its policy, but in vain. An

attempt to pass, by the Dominion Government, a Coercion Bill, proved a failure, and the matter became one of the chief issues in the general elections of 1896. The elections resulted in the defeat of Sir Charles Tupper and party, who had advocated a policy of coercion, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who had favored conciliation, became Prime Minister of the Dominion. The struggle was brought to an end by Manitoba agreeing to permit religious instruction to be given after the regular hours of teaching.

Two years later the loyal sons of Manitoba were called upon to give their services to Great Britain, that country being involved in the Boer War. The war excited military enthusiasm and deep loyalty in the hearts of the young men, which was deepened by the death of our beloved Queen Victoria, and the ascension of the Prince of Wales and his consort, now Queen Alexandra. The following fall, the Duke and Duchess of York made their tour of Canada, passing through the province of the Dominion which is to-day among the foremost of the great wheat centres of the world.

"These are the gardens of the desert, these The unshorn fields, boundless and beautiful, For which the speech of England has no name; The Prairies."

Such, indeed, must have been the emotions of the early settlers as they beheld them for the first. But honest toil has reduced "the blooming wilds," to cultivated acres where

"The low of herds Blends with the rustling of the heavy grain Over the dark brown furrows."

On these rich resources of soil depends the thriving city of Winnipeg, with its large, busy grain elevators, its mammoth railway yards, its extensive manufactures, its up-to-date stores, its paved streets and handsome residences; or the smaller, though scarcely less busy cities of Brandon and Portage la Prairie.

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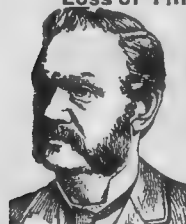
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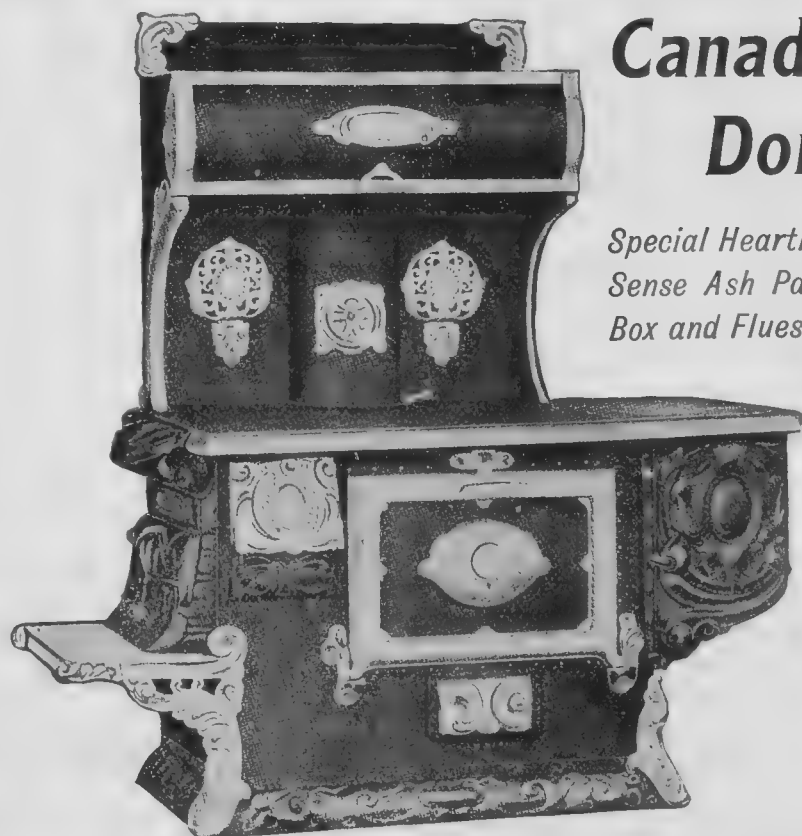
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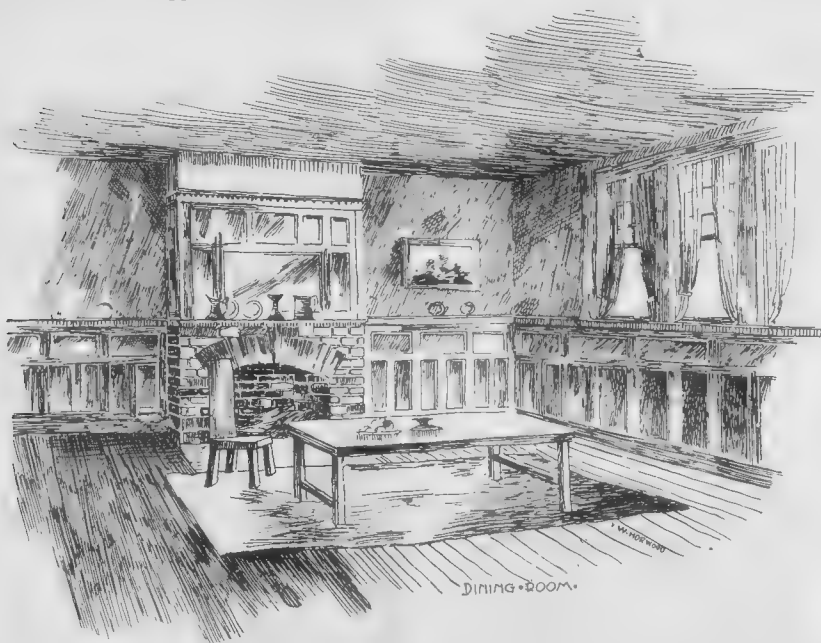
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by V. H. Harwood, Architect, Winnipeg.

A Comfortable Home.

It has been said that there is no real home if the sorrows of the world have not sat beside its hearth, and it is well said. Built to-day the home has its roots deep in the past. We in this country wonder at the mounds, whether burial places or places of refuge. They are parts in the scheme of building, parts with the pyramids and parts with the Grecian temples. The construction has slowly evolved through the ages until we come to those marvels of man's hands. Poems in stone, the Gothic cathedrals, and now we build in comfort and at ease, without giving a thought to the trials and griefs upon which our homes are founded. Some men are able to appreciate the home in



Heights of ceilings—Basement, 7 ft.; ground floor, 9 ft. 6 in.; first floor, 9 ft.; attic, 3 ft. in high part. Attic unfinished. The timbers are—Beam in cellar, 6 x 10 in.; ground floor joist, 2 x 8 in. at 16 in. centres; first floor joist, 2 x 8 in. at 16 in. centres; attic floor joist, 2 x 6 in. at 16 in. centres; rafters, 2 x 4 in. at 2 ft. centres; studs, 2 x 4 in. at 16 in. centres; plate 2 x 4 in. doubled.



all its fullness, knowing that there only can the precious flower of love expand and grow in its beauty. There the clamor of the world is hushed, and, sitting at the fireside, they can bare their hearts, knowing full well the sanctuary which guards them.

Our house this issue is plain, yet suggestive of the comfort within, with ample verandahs necessary in a country residence.

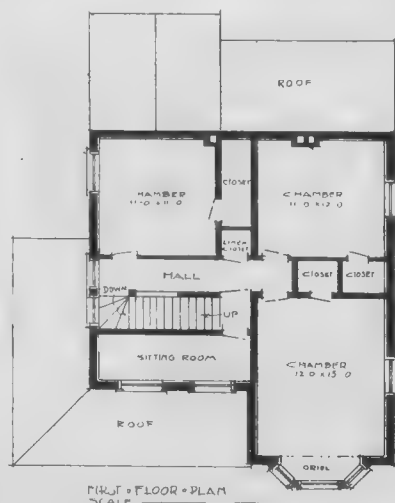
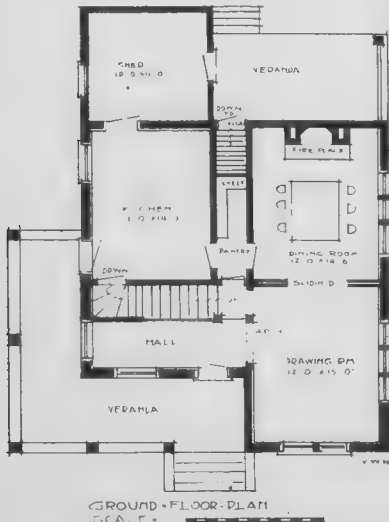
Entering, the stair is immediately before you, with a vista of the drawing room. No one enters or departs, descends or ascends, or passes through, the house without a glimpse of the drawing room through the archway, which, as shown by sketch, is simply constructed. The dining room may be used as a sitting room, when the sliding doors are closed. The cellar has two entrances, one from the outside off rear verandah, the other under the main stairs from the kitchen. The front door is reached from kitchen over landing.

The bedrooms are of ample size and the sittingroom could be made into a child's bedroom by making door into the front one. There is no plumbing or water.

The house has a basement with concrete floor, with vegetable bins, wood furnace. The woodwork, floors, etc., are of fir, with exception of doors, which may be of cedar, all stained, wainscot in kitchen, and shelving in pantry. The sketch of diningroom shews panelling; if this is



thought to be too expensive, a burlap could be hung with a broad plate rail above it. The walls to be hard wall plaster.



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Boys and Girls

The Reason.

Grandma Gruff said a curious thing, "Boys may whistle, but girls must sing." That's the very thing I heard her say To Kate, no longer than yesterday.

"Boys may whistle." Of course they may, If they pucker their lips the proper way; But for the life of me I can't see Why Kate can't whistle as well as me.

"Boys may whistle, but girls must sing;" Now I call that a curious thing. If boys can whistle, why can't girls, too? It's the easiest thing in the world to do.

So if the boys can whistle and do it well, Why cannot girls—will somebody tell? Why can't a girl do what a boy can do? That is the thing I should like to know.

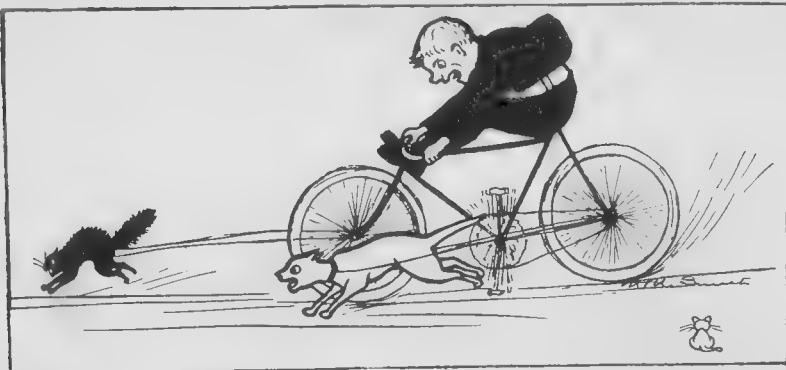
I went to father and asked him why Girls couldn't whistle as well as I, And he said, "The reason that girls must sing Is because a girl's a sing-ular thing."

And grandma laughed till I knew she'd ache When I said I thought it all a mistake. "Never mind, little man," I heard her say, "They will make you whistle enough some day."

—Picayune.

As to Pins.

The following is a literal copy of a composition written by a Georgia schoolboy, the original of which is now in my possession. With all its crudeness the essay shows considerable honest effort to learn and give facts relating to the subject, "The pin,"



TALK ABOUT YOUR MOTOR CYCLES.

which was selected by the teacher:

"A pin is a very useful apparatus invention. It is very useful to the people of the United States as well as the people of other countries in Europe. It is used in pinning dresses and other toilets. The pin is very cheap in this town, and other counties of Georgia. They are 2 or 3 packs for 5 cents, and sometimes sold for 4 or 5 packs for 5 cents. Pins were first used in Great Britain, and they were first made of wire in 1540. Brass ones were imported from France by Catherine Howard. At first pins were made by filing a point of proper length of wire. In some parts of France the thorns are still used as pins. Supposing a boy was climbing a fence and he accidentally tore his coat, and he was scared his mother would whip him if she would see that whole in his coat, but if he had met another companion of his on his way home, and this boy had a pin, of course the boy would feel better, and go home on a sly, and slip in the house without seeing his mother. Some days after this the boy's mother would notice the whole in her son's coat, of course the boy's mother ask him about this whole, and the boy tell his mother the truth about this, of course the boy feels better after this, and after the boy receives a whipping he meets the boy that gave him the pin and thanks him. This is the good of a pin."—Truth.

Having Some Fun.

"Now, boys, I will tell you how we can have some fun, said Frank to his playmates, who had come together one bright moonlight evening for sliding and snowballing.

"What is it?" asked several at once. "You will see," said Frank. "Who has a wood saw?"

"I have." "So have I," replied three of the boys.

"Get them then, and you, Fred and Tom each get an axe, and I will get a shovel. Let's be back in ten minutes."

The boys all started to go on their several errands, each wondering of what use wood saws and axes and shovels could be in play. But Frank was much liked by all the boys and fully believed in what he said, and they were soon together again.

"Now," said he, "Widow Brown, who lives in that little house over there, has gone to sit up all night with a sick child.

"A man brought her some wood to-day, and I heard her tell him that, unless she got someone to saw it to-night, she would not have anything to make a fire with in the morning.

"Now we could saw and split that pile of wood just as easily as we could make a snow man on her door-step, and when she comes home she will be greatly surprised."

One or two of the boys said they did not care to go, but most of them thought it would be fine fun.

It was not a long and tiresome job for seven strong and healthy boys, to saw, split and pile up the widow's half-cord of wood and to shovel a good path.

When they had done this, so great was their pleasure that one of them, who had at first said he would not go, proposed that they should go to a carpenter shop near by, where plenty of

shavings could be had, and that each should bring an armful.

They all agreed to do this, and when they had brought the shavings, they went to their several homes, more than pleased with the fun of the evening.

The next morning, when the tired widow returned from watching by the sick bed and saw what was done, she was indeed surprised, and wondered who could have been so kind.

Afterward, when a friend told her how it was done, her earnest prayer, "God bless the boys!" was enough of itself to make them happy.—Our Dumb Animals.

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Do everything well.
Do more than is expected of you.
Do things better than other people would do them.
Do your work as if it were a pleasure to do it.
Do exactly as you agree to do.
Do some little kindness every day.
Do unto others as you would be done by."

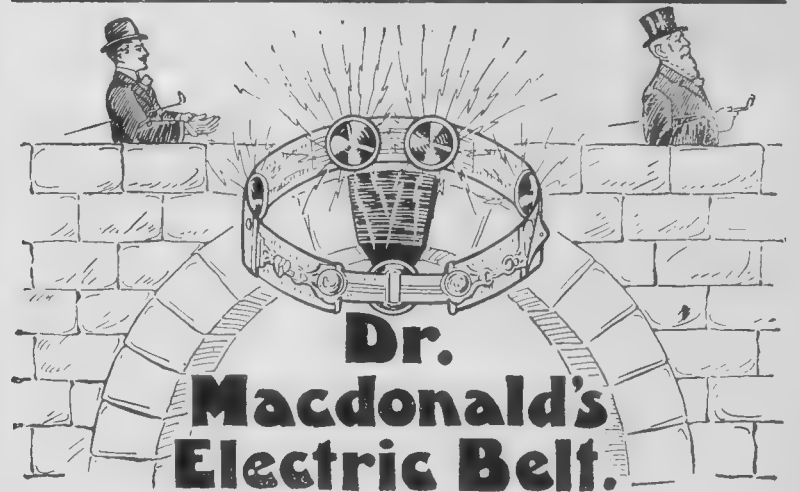
DON'T.

Don't drink.
Don't swear.
Don't tell a lie.
Don't run into debt.
Don't shirk your task.
Don't stay out nights.
Don't be too independent.
Don't be late at your work.
Don't think you know it all.
Don't hold your head too high.

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Perhaps in his youth he has been prodigal.

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(As Colton, the eminent, said).

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DR. A. K. MACDONALD, 8 Bleury St., Montreal, Quebec

Garden and Flowers

Apples at \$100 a Piece.

In this country of choice and plentiful apples, it seems strange to hear of so common a fruit being sold at an enormous price. "Stray Stories" tells of the rarity of Zanzibar apples:

Of all fruits, Zanzibar apples are perhaps the rarest. Dozens of trees to-

Starting a Raspberry Bed.

Wallace's Farmer says that raspberries should be set out in rows about seven feet apart and about half that distance apart in the row. Most growers prefer spring planting on rich, level, well manured land that has been fall plowed. As soon as the ground works nicely in the spring it may be thoroughly pulverized and the plants set out in furrows six inches deep. The plants should be given frequent shallow cultivation. In setting the plants the tips should be handled carefully and as much dirt as possible left around the roots, then press the soil

firmly around the roots and throw a little loose dirt over the surface to prevent evaporation. The plants would not bear much the first year. The canes which grow one year bear fruit the next. The black caps, which root from the tip of the canes, have scarcely any cane left on the bunch of roots that is planted, and with red varieties the root cutting usually used have the canes cut off close to the root and the new canes come from the buds on the roots. Raspberries thrive best in a partial shade, such as between rows of trees or elsewhere, when not fully exposed to the sun. A new bed should be started about every six years.

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gether will only bear a few of these apples, and the time for picking them has to be carefully selected; they must be gathered just a month before they would ripen, otherwise they will very quickly go bad.

These apples have been sold in England at \$100 apiece, and, of course, have to be specially ordered, for no fruiterer would ever dream of keeping them in stock.

Custard apples are another expensive luxury. They can be purchased at prices ranging from 75 cents to \$25 each, according to quality, and according to those whose judgment in such matters is considered to be absolutely correct, must be eaten with pepper and salt.

A gentleman not long since went into a well-known fruiterer's in Regent street and offered \$250 to the manager if he could provide enough strawberries for five people that evening.

Seventeen gardens provided the required amount of strawberries, and by 6.30 that evening the fruit was delivered at a cost of nearly \$2.50 for each strawberry.

The manager of a well-known fruiterer's establishment in the west end informed the writer that lots of people who see high-priced fruit in the window will buy it just to see "what it tastes like," and in this way these "samplers," as they are called by the trade, are a considerable source of profit to many of the high-class fruiterers.

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Dear Sir: In reply to your letter of the 5th inst. concerning the Belt which I got from you about a year ago, will say that the Belt gave me good benefits. It cured me of indigestion, as I never feel any unpleasantness after eating now. That tired feeling has also left me. I am able to do a good day's work regularly without being tired, and have more energy than before using the Belt.—I remain, yours truly,
JAMES CRAM, Edmonton, Alta.

Such are the messages of gladness sent to us from patients restored to health and strength by my Electric Belt. They come in daily, and nearly always after other treatments have failed. Anyone who will secure me can use my Belt on the condition of

Rupture Cured and Strength Restored

Dr. McLaughlin,

Dear Sir: I received your Belt, and have found great benefits from its use. I used it as you directed, and found it perfectly satisfactory. I have some more customers for you, but it is the money that sticks them, but if they had the Belt for a while, and experienced its benefits, they would soon get the money. I feel stronger in every way, and the rupture is entirely gone. I don't feel it at all and I am stronger in every way. It is everything you say, and more, for it is a sure cure.—Yours very truly, WM. E. GOOD, Indian Head, Assa.

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THE marvellous Industrial Development now in progress, will transform Fort Frances into a hive of active permanent Industries. Now is the proper time to get in on the ground floor, and secure a few choice lots that will double themselves in value many times over within a short period of time. No better or surer investment can be found to-day, on the Continent of America, than in Fort Frances Lots. The great water falls on the river at Fort Frances are being harnessed, which are capable of developing 60,000 horse power, 30,000 horse power of which is on the Canadian side, enough to supply a city of 200,000 population. This may be sold at \$14 per horse power per year. The price paid by the City of Buffalo for power supplied from Niagara Falls is \$60.

BIG WORKS NOW BEING ERECTED THERE

An immense Dam costing Three Million Dollars is now being built, as well as Manufacturing Plants costing upwards of Two Millions of Money.

SOME OF THE NEW PLANTS

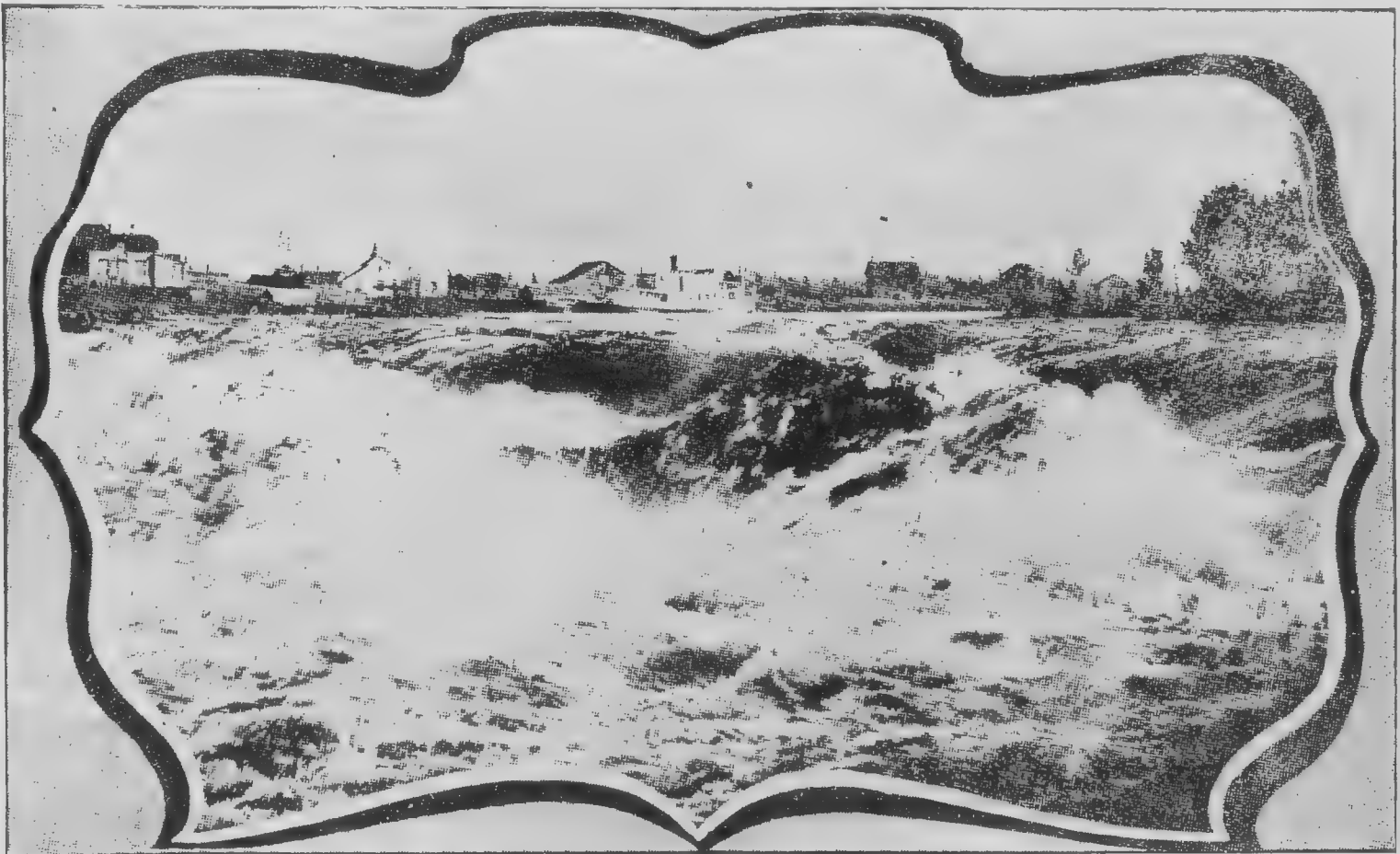
A Flour Mill, capacity 5000 barrels a day; Pulp Mill, capacity 300 to 400 tons per day, which will give employment to from 400 to 500 men; Furniture Factory employing 300 men; several large Saw Mills, Paper Mills, Woodenware Factory, etc. The Winnipeg Peat Company have a large acreage of land in the neighborhood, their Plant will employ 300 men. The men employed in those new industries must have homes, hence a brisk demand for those Lots in the near future.

RAILROAD CONNECTION

A branch of the C N.R. extends to the town, and two other railroads, the Duluth & Iron Range and the Minnesota & International, are building to there now. These railroads will come in over the new International bridge now under course of construction.

SMELTING PLANTS

will be erected in the immediate future, to convert the rich Iron Ore, found in the vicinity, into pig iron. This district is rich in Timber and Mineral Wealth, and gives promise to be the greatest manufacturing town west of the Great Lakes.



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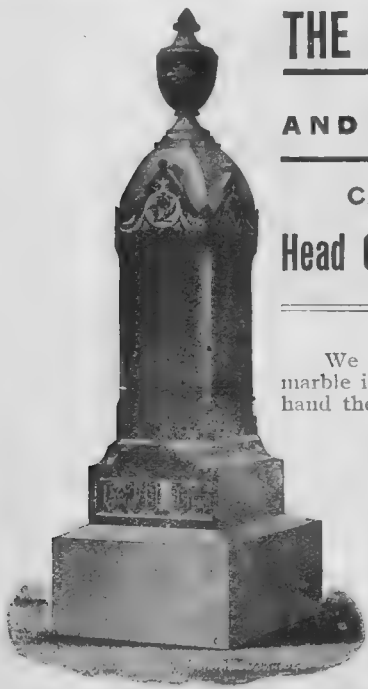
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Hints To Buyers.

From John A. Bruce & Co., seed merchants, Hamilton, Ont., comes a tasty catalogue. Drop them a post card and receive one. It's worth having.

Manitoba Hair Goods Co. are doing an excellent mail order business through the medium of The Western Home Monthly. Their advertisement "tells you how."

The Winnipeg Granite and Marble Co. issue a complete catalogue which the firm will mail to readers of this journal free of charge. Just mention this magazine when writing.

"Dingwall," the jewellery firm, are building up a big mail order business. When writing them for catalogue tell them you saw it in The Western Home Monthly and they will treat you right.

Make it a point to look up the advertisement of G. F. Stephens & Co., the paint and glass firm, who are in business in a large way. They keep a full line of goods and their prices are right.

Clare & Brockest advertise a kitchen range which promises to be a ready seller. Note their announcement elsewhere.

Howey & Borebank, real estate, have a business announcement in this number which should prove of interest to those in quest of snaps in that line.

If you are interested in flowers, look up the advertisement of R. Alston's successor elsewhere in this issue.

A cup of Blue Ribbon tea is invigorating, stimulating and palatable and it's popularity is being attested to by it's increasing sale. See the advertisement on another page.

Kola Tonic Wine as a builder up for frail, delicate children, has few equals. If your druggist does not keep it, send direct to the manager and he will look after your order.

John Leslie, the furniture man, proposes building an addition to his already big store. Just now he is offering bargains right along the line. Write for catalogue.

G. C. Emerson Bedding Co., Limited, manufacturers of beds, bedding, feather pillows, etc., are now in full operation filling orders for the West. A highly interesting description of their works, illustrated with cuts of the exterior and interior of their factory, appears in this issue.

Morris pianos are in brisk demand, so says S. L. Barrowclough. During bonspiel week the sales recorded were exceedingly numerous.

The Nordheimer Piano Co. report a steady increase in business. Mr. Evans, the Western manager, has every assurance now that their Western business will show a substantial increase this year.

Whaley, Royce & Co.'s popular music at popular prices is in demand all over the West. Last month it was stated in our short write-up of the company that they were about the largest importers in Canada. They are "the largest" importers and dealers in their line in Canada.

The Hudson's Bay Co. are again to the front with an interesting list of goods which should tempt the thrifty housewife to loosen her purse strings. Send for their catalogue.

The J. Y. Griffin Co., Winnipeg, pioneer pork and beef packing house, make a business announcement to the readers of The Monthly this issue, which may be found on the inside page of front cover. A cut of their buildings is shown.

Royal Crown Soap's announcement on the back cover of this magazine is sure to attract careful attention. Royal Crown advertising, like their soap, is prepared with a view to please and interest the buying public.

McMillan & Vollans, the real estate men, report very heavy sales in "Bonnie Doon" lots. They have sold upwards of 400 lots in that subdivision. See their advertisement.

McCullough & Boswell, Winnipeg's premier dealers in automobiles, motor boats and Massey-Harris bicycles, solicit the patronage of the public through The Western Home Monthly this issue. They are now occupying commodious quarters in the Granite curling rink, and their showrooms are an interesting place to visit.

Stanbridge & McKim and Richmond Park are cutting a wide swath in the real estate world. They announce in this issue an advance in price after March 15th.

The premises of the Scott Furniture Company, in miniature form, are shown in an illustration on another page. The biggest and best in Canada West sounds euphonious, but the application of the term might be broadened out to include the whole of Canada without being untruthful.

J. Hart & Co., the booksellers and stationers, Winnipeg, are doing a splendid mail order business. Their low prices are an attraction for buyers.

The Keeley Cure for inebriates is doing a great work for humanity in assisting slaves to the drink habit to lead sober lives. The Institute at Fort Rouge is thoroughly equipped for the successful treatment of patients.

V. S. Maddock is proclaiming from the housetops that Fort Frances lots are the best "thing" in the real estate market. Millions will be spent at Fort Frances in the construction of a dam, power house, etc., by a strong company. Mr. Maddock's advertisement, showing Koochiching Falls, may be consulted on another page.

You should have some fruit trees around your home. Note the advertisement of Buchanan's Nurseries on page 20.

The Gee-Whiz Washing Machine Co. offer to sell their washer for \$10.00 and if after 30 days' trial it should in any way prove unsatisfactory, they will take it back and refund the purchaser his money. This appears to be reasonable. Note their offer on another page.

If you are going to build this season we would suggest that you call on Mr. Erickson, at 549 Main St., Winnipeg, where he makes a perfect cement Hollow Block, that will build one foot of wall, in thirty seconds, by a process that can be easily learned by anyone in five minutes. Numerous inquiries are made from time to time with regard to cement Hollow Blocks, and anyone interested should take advantage of this chance to see Mr. Erickson demonstrate what he claims to be the only process that should be used in making Hollow Blocks. The machine used is the "Winner." The simplest and cheapest Block Machine on the market.

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is sold. Unlike any other. Invented and built upon practical and scientific principles for washing clothes. Wash day brings its hard work to the women of the house. The manufacturer and the farmer now have the very newest and best machinery to help them in their work. Our mothers and sisters should be entitled to as much consideration.

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Thousands of testimonials from pleased users testify that

The Gee Whiz is the Machine that does it.
You will be convinced on giving it a trial.

The capacity of the machine is such that it enables the housewife to turn out an ordinary family washing in a short while. A child can operate it.

OUR TERMS.

Gee Whiz Washing Machine will be sent to any address in the West upon receipt of \$10.00. Should it not prove satisfactory at the end of 30 days' trial, return it to us and we will refund you your money. Write for illustrated booklet free.

The Gee Whiz Washing Machine Co.,

P. O. Box 200, Winnipeg, Man.

Reference: Bank of Commerce.

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THE FIRST SHORT CLOTHES.

A full set contains 10 patterns in each set as follows: two dress patterns, coat, bib, feeding apron, cap, skirt, kimona, shirt dryer and creeping apron. 35c. for the set.



LADIES' SHIRT WAIST.

No. 6125—The new styles for shirt waists are varied and effective, but they all point to a continuation of the quaint and picturesque. Whenever it is possible, the shoulder seam is either entirely concealed by various means of adornment, or cut so that the seam is not to be found. This latter idea is by far the most quaint and the shoulder-cap coming well down over the usual joining line of sleeve and body gives even greater width.

In the original model shown here, we have a style that is quite in keeping with the old fashioned tendencies of the times. The deep yoke, together with the sleeve



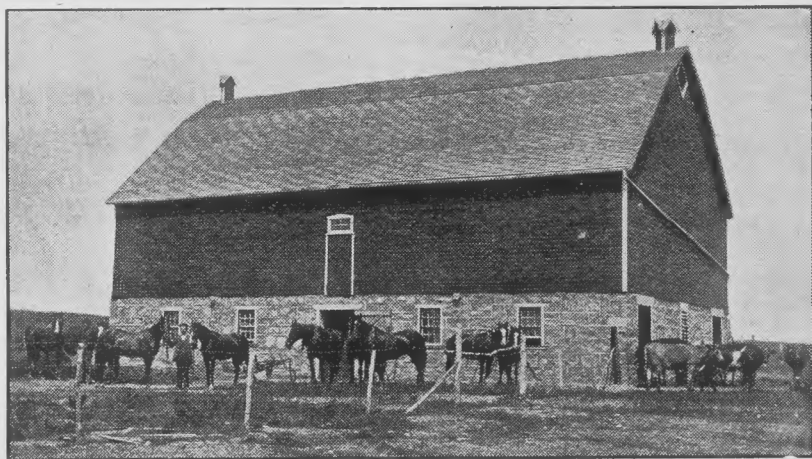
cap is indeed pretty and a style that everyone can wear. The sleeve is finished by a little gauntlet cuff and the blouse, like all the newer designs, is to be worn with a separate collar. These collars are finished by a little "curtain or shield" and may be made of the material or lace. The lower edge of the blouse is finished off with a peplum. This insures a perfect fit over the hips and besides

holds the waist in position. The model is suitable for either shirt waist or costume. Made of mercerized cotton, it is a most practical design, and a silk made on these lines and outlining the yoke edges with silk cord would be charming.

Sizes 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.

The Well Dressed Woman.

To know your style, consult your mirror, not prejudiced in your favor, but critically. Study yourself full length and at a distance. Note where you look as you should not, and dress to conceal it. If you are very fat, don't let anyone persuade you to wear tight-fitting waists. Disguise the fact by soft folds and long lines. Study the art of dress and yourself as a lay figure, and remember that you should not call the eyes to see a figure which is not worth the seeing. Be as severe with yourself when you make your criticisms as you are with your worst enemy. Out of such severity may develop the well-dressed woman. It doesn't matter in the least whether anyone else wears such a gown as you or not. No one else should, for no other woman is just like you, and



BARN AND STOCK OF S. FENNELL, 4 MILES SOUTH OF CRANDELL, MAN.

every gown should express the individuality of the wearer, without being bizarre. Don't be afraid to be yourself.

If you find a difficulty in threading your needle try holding it in front of a piece of white paper. This shows up the eye, and the needle is much easier to thread.

In ironing handkerchiefs it is useful to remember that the middle should be ironed first; to iron the edges first causes the edges to swell out like a balloon, and makes it difficult to iron satisfactorily. Test the iron carefully before using it; a piece of rag should be at hand for this purpose.

Silk pocket handkerchiefs should be washed by themselves. Put them to soak in cold water for an hour or two, then wash them in water, soaking them as they are washed. If the stains have not then disappeared, wash them through a second water of the same description. When clear, they should be rinsed in cold soft water in which a handful of common salt has been dissolved; then rinse again in water containing a little bluing.

Linens that have been stained by tea or coffee may be cleansed by moistening the spots with water and holding them over the fumes of a small piece of burning sulphur or a few sulphur matches. Wash immediately with water in which a little ammonia or soda has been dissolved. Stains that nothing else will remove are often taken out by the vapor arising from burning sulphur, but the material must be washed thoroughly at once.

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you will be more potent than the muscular beauty of the athletic clubs. If you are feminine in thought and tastes, your buoyant health will not run to muscle, your good spirits will not become loud and boydenish and your self-confidence will not lead you out of your own sphere.

Any woman who is perfectly healthy, persistently cheerful, sanely self-confident, and enduringly feminine, will possess plenty of magnetism. Add to these a little beauty, a dash of cleverness and a knowledge of how to dress and she will be irresistible. At any rate, the cultivation of magnetism is a great deal more interesting and a great deal more worth while than the cultivation of a complexion.

Hints for the Housewife.

When cutting new bread, always put the knife in hot water first, and you will find it a great improvement.

To prevent new clothes-eggs from splitting, let them stand in cold water a few hours before using.

Don't scour the inside of coffee-



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can see no possible reason for any one wanting to marry, you may conclude that she has magnetism. It has nothing whatever to do with beauty, with goodness, nor with cleverness. Some women are born with it. Books have been written on how to acquire it.

Finally, to be a woman and to be magnetic to men, you must be thoroughly feminine. From the time when you rise in the morning until you go to bed at night you must be constantly conscious of the fact that you are a woman. No woman ever was magnetic who did not revel in ruffles, ribbons, perfume and pretty frocks. You may not be stylish, nor even beautiful, but if you are dainty and thoroughly feminine

pots, but wash them with hot soap suds, using a mop to dry thoroughly.

If baby's gums are red and swollen during teething, rub them gently with the finger moistened with lemon juice.

Old kid gloves are useful for many purposes. If worn when ironing they will preserve the hands and render them less likely to become sore.

Did you ever try letting half a dozen ordinary marbles bob around on the bottom of your kettle of fruit? Try it, and you will find that you considerably lessen the amount of stirring necessary to prevent burning.

Don't try to be anything else but a gentlewoman, and that means one who has consideration for the whole world and whose life is governed by the golden rule: "Do unto others as you would be done by."—The Christian World.

Cleansing brooms.—This may be rarely thought necessary, but they require cleaning as much as anything else, and, if washed occasionally, will be found to last far longer than otherwise. About once a week prepare a good lather of hot water and soap, and into it dip the broom; shake it until it is nearly dry, and hang it up, with the bristles downward, until quite soft.

If a wound has been made by any poisonous, rusty iron or steel, inflammation may be allayed and lock-jaw, mortification, etc., often prevented by holding the wound over the smoke of burning wood previously saturated with sweet oil or lard.

Cut up a pound of beef into very thin, small slices, which, with a half a pound of white fresh lettuce, put into a salad bowl; season with a teaspoonful of salt, half teaspoonful of pepper, two table-spoonfuls of vinegar and four of good salad oil. Stir all together with a fork. When well mixed it is ready to serve.

Don't object that your duties are so insignificant; they are to be reckoned of infinite significance, and alone important to you. Were it but the perfect regulation of your apartment, the sorting away of your clothes and trinkets, the arranging of your papers, "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do with all thy might, and all thy worth and constancy."

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The housewife has to dress for her work. She cannot do anything in light clothes. Absolute freedom of motion is necessary. Corsets and long or heavy skirts must be avoided. The easiest costume is a short, light skirt, suspended from the shoulders, and a demi-loose sack, worn over a stout twilled domestic underskirt.

The wife likes to appear fresh and pleasant to children and husband at breakfast, and if she is the chief or superintending genius in the kitchen, she will hardly have time to change her dress for breakfast. A neat wrap can be put on in the morning, the skirt pinned up and a long, loose pinafore of coarse gingham worn over it, with separate sleeves—cooking sleeves, they are called—made of oil cloths that button at the wrists and come up over the elbow.

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HOUSEHOLD SUGGESTIONS

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Hashed Pork on Toast.

Sprinkle one pint cold roast pork, chopped rather coarse, with salt and pepper to taste, and one tablespoon flour; turn the mixture into a small stewpan, add one-half pint stock or cream and simmer slowly, keeping the vessel closely covered for fifteen minutes. Season with one tablespoon butter and serve on rounds of toast with a garnish of parsley. Serve nicely baked apples for a companion dish.

Cabbage, Peasant Style.

Cook a head of cabbage for fifteen minutes; drain and return to the saucepan with two ounces of butter; simmer till tender, chop and mash, seasoning with salt, nutmeg and pepper; stuff a linen bag two and a half inches in diameter with this and put under a weight until cold; cut down in even slices with a sharp knife, through bag and all, as you would cut a sausage; dip in egg and crumbs and fry. Dish alone or serve half of the cabbage mashed and heated with cream in the centre, and lay the slices around it.

with the batter and bake thirty minutes in a moderate oven.

Hunters' Pudding.

One cup of suet chopped fine; one cup of molasses, one cup of milk, three cups of flour, three level teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one-half teaspoonful each of cloves, mace and allspice, one teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-half cup of raisins, chopped fine, one-half cup of citron, chopped fine. Mix in order given. Steam three hours. Serve with lemon sauce.

Cranberries

Although cranberry sauce is cranberry sauce wherever the dish is known, it may not be amiss to put before even such skilled cooks as are our readers a few recipes for cooking cranberries. To a quart of well washed berries add a little less than a pint

of water, and stew for ten minutes. Add then one pound of loaf sugar and remove to back of range to simmer, without boiling, for fifteen minutes or so. Turn out to cool, and that is all there is to it. Taking this sauce, our English cousins have a happy knack of adding to it when it is cool some whipped cream and then using it as a kind of filling for shortcake, to be served with the afternoon tea. Perhaps it needs a bit more sugar used in this way, but that may be added easily.

In making cranberry tarts, line the molds with paste, fill with the cranberry sauce, cover with paste, bake, and serve with whipped cream.

To make cranberry jelly, cook a quart of the berries in half a pint of water for twenty minutes, then sieve them through a fine sieve and add to the juice one pound of sugar. Cook for ten minutes, boiling hard all the time, and turn into a mold. Let stand for several hours before using. If it is not to be used with meats, but is to go to the table as a sweet, then surround it with whipped cream or thick custard.

Winter Hints.

Winter shortcakes are easy desserts. They are made with a cake foundation, using canned apricots or preserved strawberries or other preserves. Whipped cream is served with the shortcake, and the appearance of the dish is improved if the cream is piped over the top in fancy forms.

Canned fruit may be used for desserts in many ways. The juice in the can should be heavily sweetened and boiled down to a syrup. This makes the fruit richer. Common canned peaches heated in a thick syrup and served with cream are very good indeed. Canned raspberries make a delicious charlotte russe.

A small ham may be steamed instead of boiled. Prepare the ham in the usual manner by soaking it in cold water for eighteen hours, and afterwards scrubbing and trimming it. Put it in the steamer over boiling water and cook, allowing half an hour to each pound of ham. The reason ham is so often indigestible is that it is underdone. In Vienna hospitals, where great attention is paid to the dietary, ham, boiled and baked until it falls to pieces under the fork, is given patients convalescing from typhoid fever.

Veterinary Value of Honey.

The following incident proves the value of honey in the treatment of domestic animals. The writer had a valuable milch cow, which, immediately after calving, became difficult to milk, and the veterinary surgeon performed a slight operation. She, however, became worse; hard swellings formed in the udder, and the milk fell off from five gallons daily to less than one. Everything was tried, but without success. As a last resource the honey-cure was attempted, the udder being well and carefully rubbed with honey three times a day. There was soon a marked improvement; the swellings became softer, and after about ten days disappeared entirely, and the yield of milk returned to about four gallons daily. The case speaks for itself.—Deutsche Illustrirte Bienenzeitung.

Helps.

Hard soap for creaking doors or tight bureau drawers is much better than oil or grease.

Silverware that is stained with egg may be cleaned by rubbing with damp salt.

Equal parts of soda and salt dissolved in warm water will relieve mosquito and insect bites.

Clean gilt frames with a cotton cloth moistened in sweet oil.

When stewing sour fruit such as cranberries, if you wish to save sugar, use first a half teaspoonful of soda to a quart of fruit.

Lime water is very useful in the home for old and young in cases of indigestion. A tablespoonful of lime water to a cup of milk for a grown person or a teaspoonful for a child is good until the digestive powers are rested or fully restored.

Pot and Kettle Soliloquy.

"I don't feel well," the Kettle sighed, The Pot responded, "Eh? Then doubtless that's the reason, marm, You do not sing to-day."

"But what's amiss?" the kettle sobbed, "Why, sir, you're surely blind, Or you'd have noticed that our cook Is shockingly unkind."

"I watched her make a cake just now— If I'd a pair of legs I'd run away! Oh, dear; oh, dear; How she did beat those eggs!"

"Nor was that all—remember, please, 'Tis truth I tell you— For with my tearful eye I saw Her stone the raisins, too!"

"And afterward—oh dreadful sight! I felt inclined to scream!— The cruel creature took a fork And soundly whipped the cream!"

"Now can you wonder that my nerves Have rather given way? Although I'm at the boiling point, I cannot sing to-day."

—Food and Cookery.

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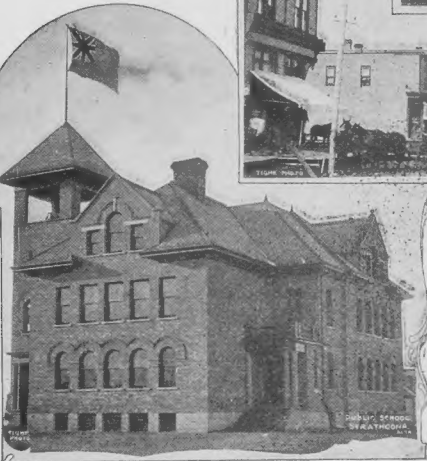
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A Delicious Vegetable.

Beets after having been boiled, peeled and sliced may have a little fresh cream poured over them, with a seasoning of salt, cayenne and a dash of nutmeg; simmer two minutes and thicken with one beaten egg yolk when ready to serve. A delicious vegetable to serve with roast veal.

Pork Scallop.

Put a layer of cold boiled pork, chopped fine, in a buttered ramekin; season with salt, pepper and minced onion, then stew over it a layer of cracker crumbs, and moisten with milk. Add another layer of meat, and so on until the dish is filled, finishing off with a layer of the crumbs. Cover closely and bake. Ten minutes before it is done uncover and let brown. Serve with onion sauce.

Beet Fritters a la Dickens.

Cut beets, after boiling, into slices an eighth of an inch thick; mince a few mushrooms with one-eighth their bulk in onions; press between two slices of beet and dip in a batter made by beating the yolk of an egg, adding a tablespoon of oil or melted butter, four of flour, and lastly the whipped white, with salt and pepper to taste; fry these fritters by immersion in very hot fat.

Indian Griddlecakes.

Dissolve in a little boiling water a teaspoon of baking soda, adding two cups of sour milk, a tablespoon of melted butter, a dash of grated nutmeg and a saltspoon of salt; then stir in equal parts of Indian meal and sifted graham flour, mixing until of the proper consistency and being sure the batter is free from lumps. Have the griddle very hot and grease it lightly with a small piece of salt pork, pouring the batter from a small pitcher in cakes of the desired size; when filled push back the griddle to the back of the range, as the cakes should cook slowly. Dip each cake when cooked in sweet honey and serve immediately piled on a hot platter.

Bannocks.

Scald eight heaping tablespoons of meal by stirring in two cups of boiling water, add four tablespoons of flour, a saltspoon of salt, one-fourth of a teaspoon of baking soda, two well-beaten eggs and sufficient cold milk to form a thick batter. Beat for five minutes after the last ingredient is added and drop by the spoonful into hot fat, frying the bannocks to a golden brown. Serve accompanied by maple syrup.

Novel Corn Gems.

Blend thoroughly in the order mentioned two cups of sweet milk, one well beaten egg, a pinch of salt, one tablespoon of brown sugar, a tablespoon of maple syrup, two tablespoons of melted butter, one cup of Indian meal and one cup of wheat flour sifted with a heaping teaspoonful of baking powder. When very light, stir in half a cup of finely chopped dates. Have ready hot gem pans, fill each about three-quarters full

Puzzle Column

For Boys and Girls.

Publisher's Note.—We will send The Western Home Monthly for one year to the person sending us one original puzzle eligible for publication, or any subscriber who sends the best solution to the puzzles in this number of The Monthly. Answers will appear in the April issue.

Puzzle.

- Word square—
A man who filled an imperial throne;
A number though it is but one;
A man of old of wondrous strength;
A thing with neither breadth or length.
- What stands on one leg and has its heart in its head?
- Why is a mouse like straw?
- Name the largest room; also the smallest room in the world.
- My first is in shoot but not in fire;
My second is in harp, but not in lyre;
My third is in rain, but not in sleet;
My fourth is in nice, but not in sweet;
My fifth is in ink, but not in led;
My sixth is in auburn, but not in red;
My seventh is in peace, but not in strife;
My last is in lance, but not in knife;
My whole is the name of a great general who fought against Rome
- Charade—
I've wandered in the western land,
And saw my firsts in thousands there;
They flourished there on either hand,
There's nothing they would not to dare.
My second farmers use; and oft
I'm used in ships and trains;
I make things light and make things soft,
By using the machine man gains.
Oh! childish scenes come back to me,
When mother me the whole did make to take each day.
And held me when I took it, on her knee,
And gave me sweets and cake to take the taste away.
- How may 100 be expressed with four nines.
- Name the words designated by the B's, C's and O's in the following sentence: In 1812 Captain B B B B sent his C C C C into the backwoods of Canada to plant pot O O O O O O O.
- My 5, 2, 1, 7, 3, is the name of a people;
My 6, 7, 5, is a certain port of man;
My 8, 7, 1, 6, 3, 4, means to weep;
My whole is a city in Canada.
- What is it that is of no use to a waggon, still it cannot go without it?

Answers to January Puzzles.

- Word diamond—
P
A R C
A G O R A
P R O M I S E
C R I S P
A S P
E
- To get to the other side.
- Square—
F A T E
A C I D
T I D E
E D E N
- Because it springs from the eyes.
- Its sure to come every month.
- Six cents. He takes one piece of chain and cuts each link and with each link he joins the other four pieces together, making three cuts and three welds.
- Because the woodpecker would peck her.
- A woman sitting milking a cow, and a calf standing beside her.
- Eight cats.
- It is out of the head.
- Because they both are always behind.
- The sun.
- Three.

The Game of Prophet.

Have you ever played a game called prophet? If not you will find it very entertaining, and we will tell you how to make the prophet.

First cut a piece of pasteboard perfectly round; divide with pencil marks this circle into about twenty or more equal parts like the spokes of a wheel. Place this piece of pasteboard on a standard a few inches high, then either make or buy a small wooden doll, which must be dressed like a monk or prophet. Place this figure in the centre of the



circle on a wire or pivot so that it will turn freely. The prophet must have a wand in his right hand, which points to the figures on the disk.

Now prepare a lot of cards, upon each of which you must write some prophecy bearing the numbers on the disk, such as No. 15, "You will be successful in business;" No. 10, "You will have a long life and a merry one." The person

whose fortune is to be told must start the prophet revolving on the pivot, and when he stops his wand will point to one of the numbers. Then the card bearing that number must be given to the player. On this card he reads his future or part of it, and can, if he wishes, try it again.

Several sets of cards with the same numbers make the action quicker.

This pastime affords much amusement as a parlor game.

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For the American rights to Liquozone. We did this after testing the product for two years, through physicians and hospitals, after proving, in thousands of difficult cases, that Liquozone destroys the cause of any germ disease.

Liquozone has, for more than 20 years, been the constant subject of scientific and chemical research. It is not made by compounding drugs, nor with alcohol. Its virtues are derived solely from gas—largely oxygen gas—by a process requiring immense apparatus and 14 days' time. The result is a liquid that does what oxygen does. It is a nerve food and blood food—the most helpful thing in the world to you. Its effects are exhilarating, vitalizing, purifying.

Yet it is a germicide so certain that we publish on every bottle an offer of \$1,000 for a disease germ that it cannot kill. The reason is that germs are vegetables; and Liquozone—like excess of oxygen—is deadly to vegetable matter.

There lies the great value of Liquozone. It is the only way known to kill germs in the body without killing the tissue, too. Any drug that kills germs is a poison and it cannot be taken internally. Every physician knows that medicine is almost helpless in any germ disease.

Germ Diseases.

These are the known germ diseases. All that medicine can do for these troubles is to help Nature overcome the germs, and such results are indirect and uncertain. Liquozone attacks the germs, wherever they are. And when the germs which cause a disease are destroyed, the disease must end, and forever. That is inevitable.

Asthma
Abscess—Anemia
Bronchitis
Blood Poison
Bright's Disease
Bowel Troubles
Coughs—Colds
Consumption
Colic—Croup
Constipation
Catarrh—Cancer
Dysentery—Diarrhea
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Dyspepsia
Eczema—Erysipelas
Fever—Gall Stones
Hay Fever—Influenza
Kidney Diseases
La Grippe
Leucorrhea
Liver Troubles
Malaria—Neuralgia
Many Heart Troubles
Piles—Pneumonia
Pleurisy—Quinsy
Rheumatism
Scrofula—Syphilis
Skin Diseases
Stomach Troubles
Throat Troubles
Tuberculosis
Tumors—Ulcers

Goitre—Gout
Gonorrhea—Gleet
All diseases that begin with fever—all inflammation—all catarrh—all contagious diseases—all the results of impure or poisoned blood.

In nervous debility Liquozone acts as a vitalizer, accomplishing what no drugs can do.

50c. Bottle Free.

If you need Liquozone, and have never tried it, please send us this coupon. We will then mail you an order on a local druggist for a full-size bottle, and we will pay the druggist ourselves for it. This is our free gift, made to convince you; to show you what Liquozone is, and what it can do. In justice to yourself, please, accept it to-day, for it places you under no obligation whatever.

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